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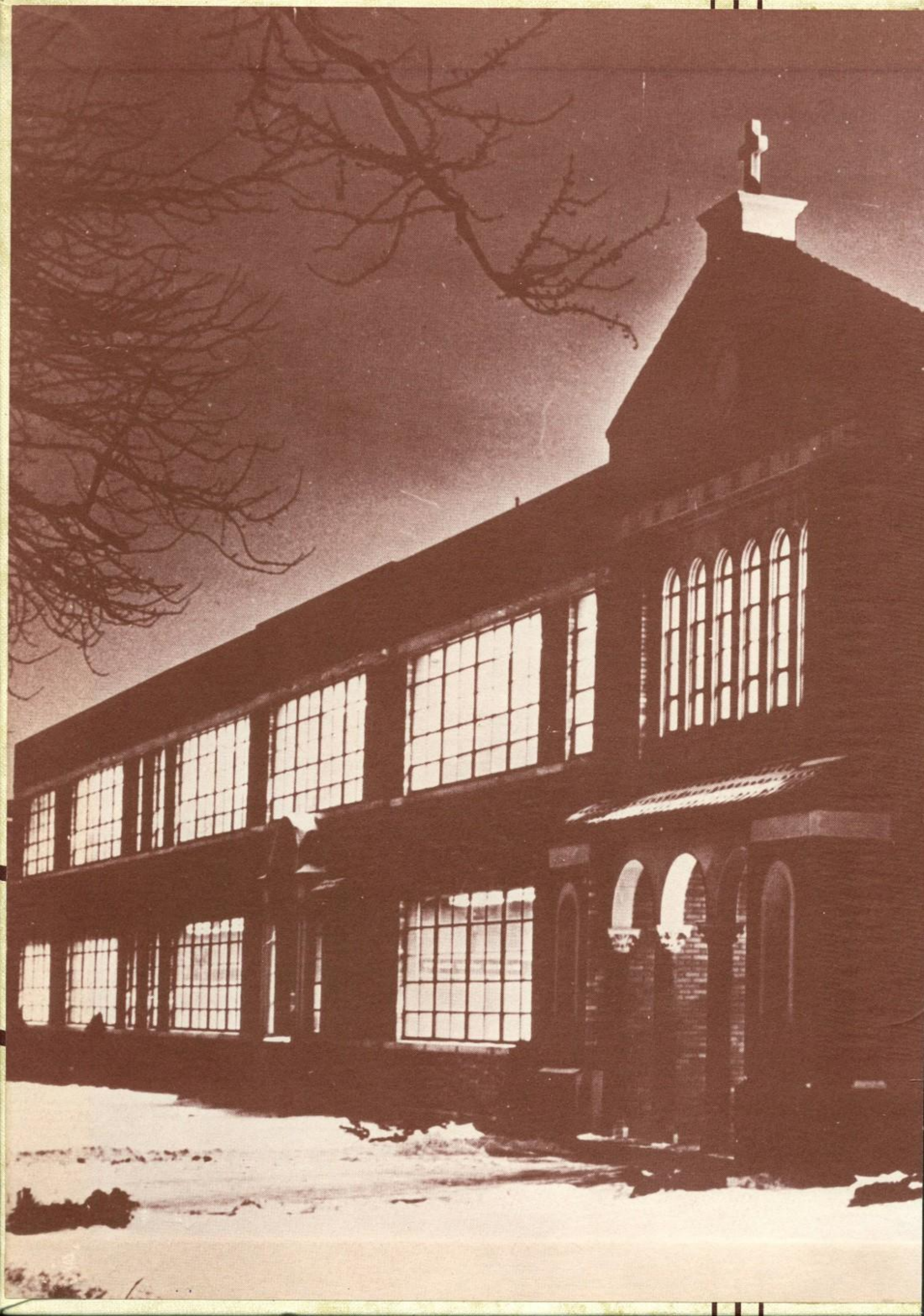


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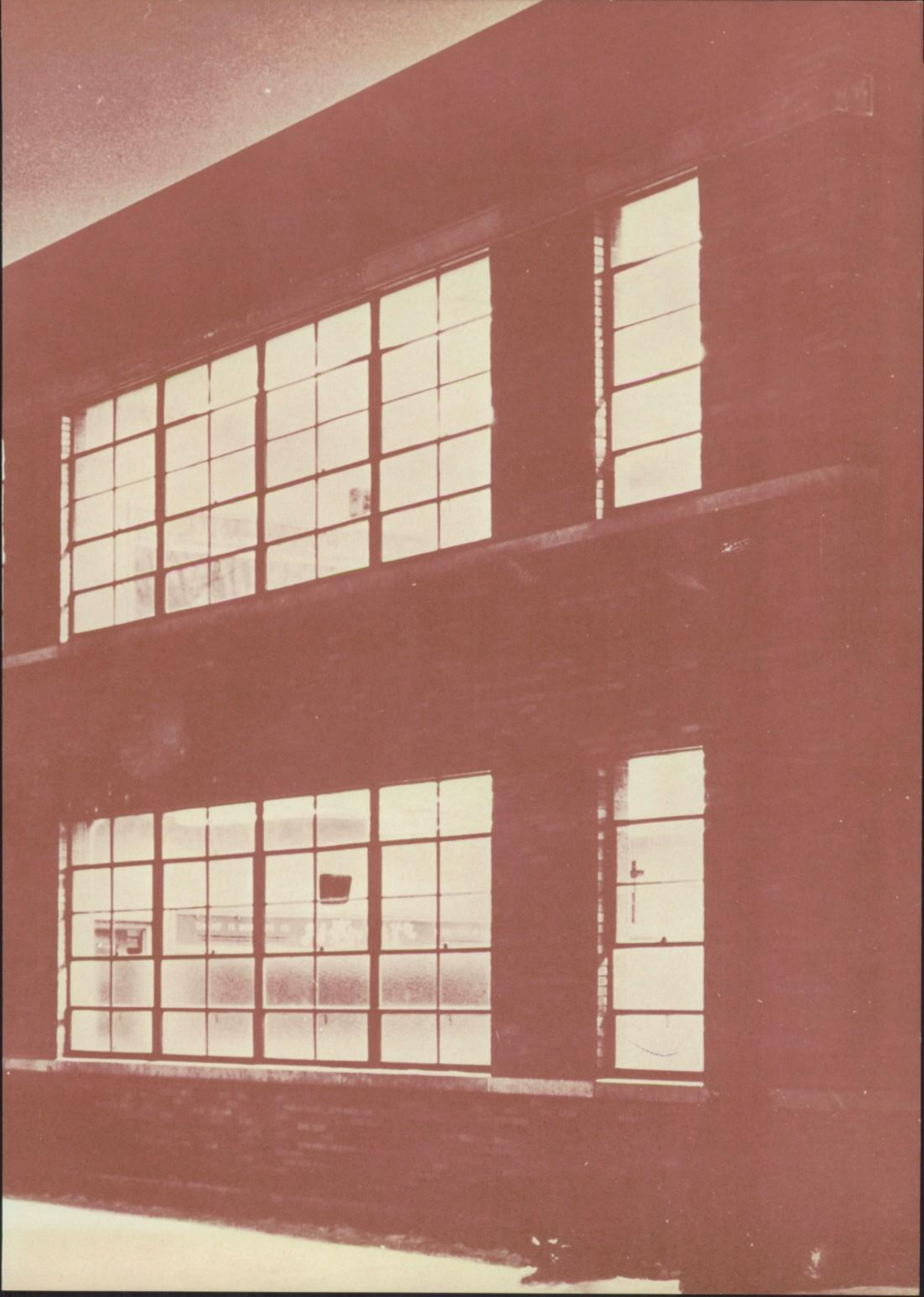


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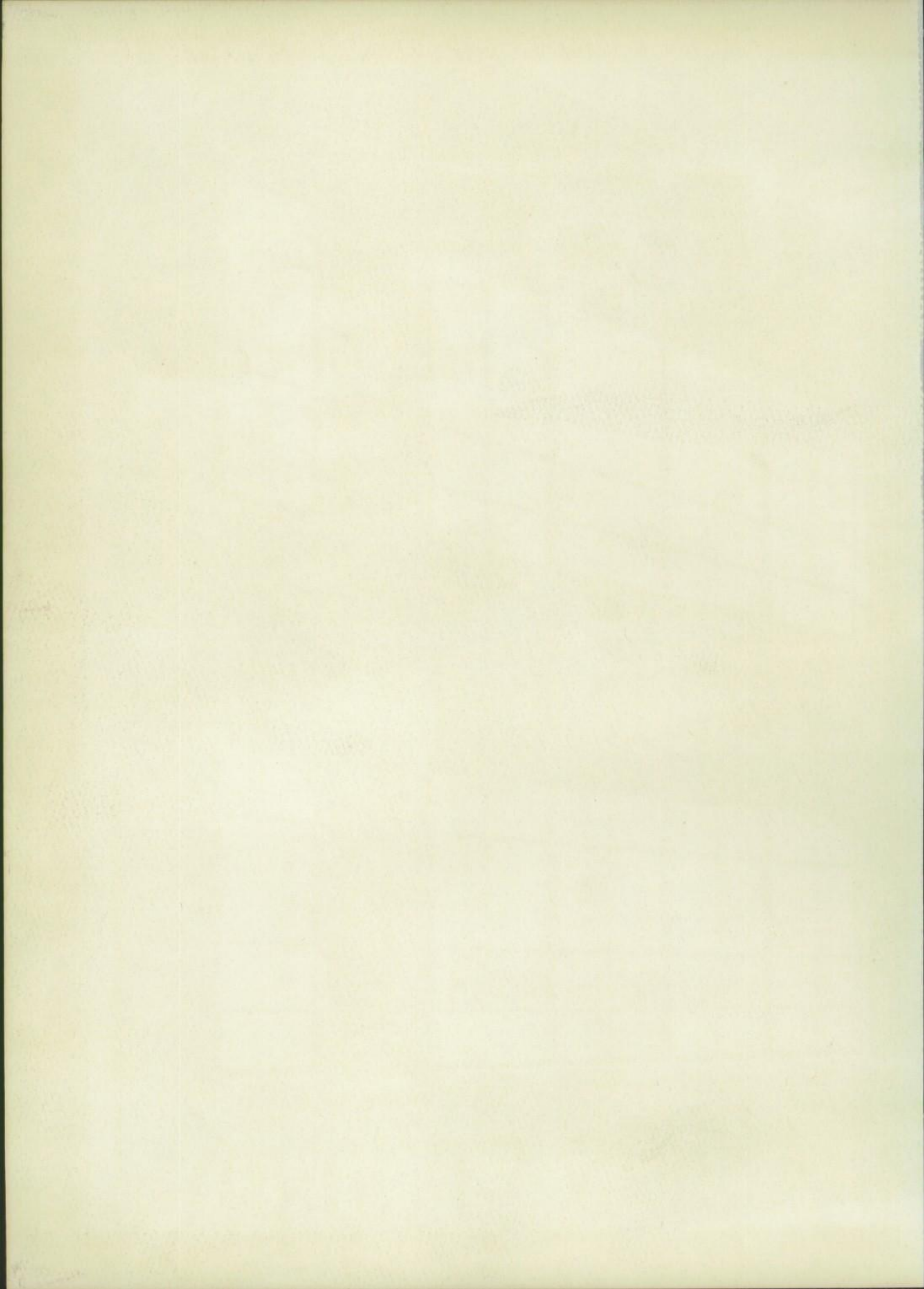












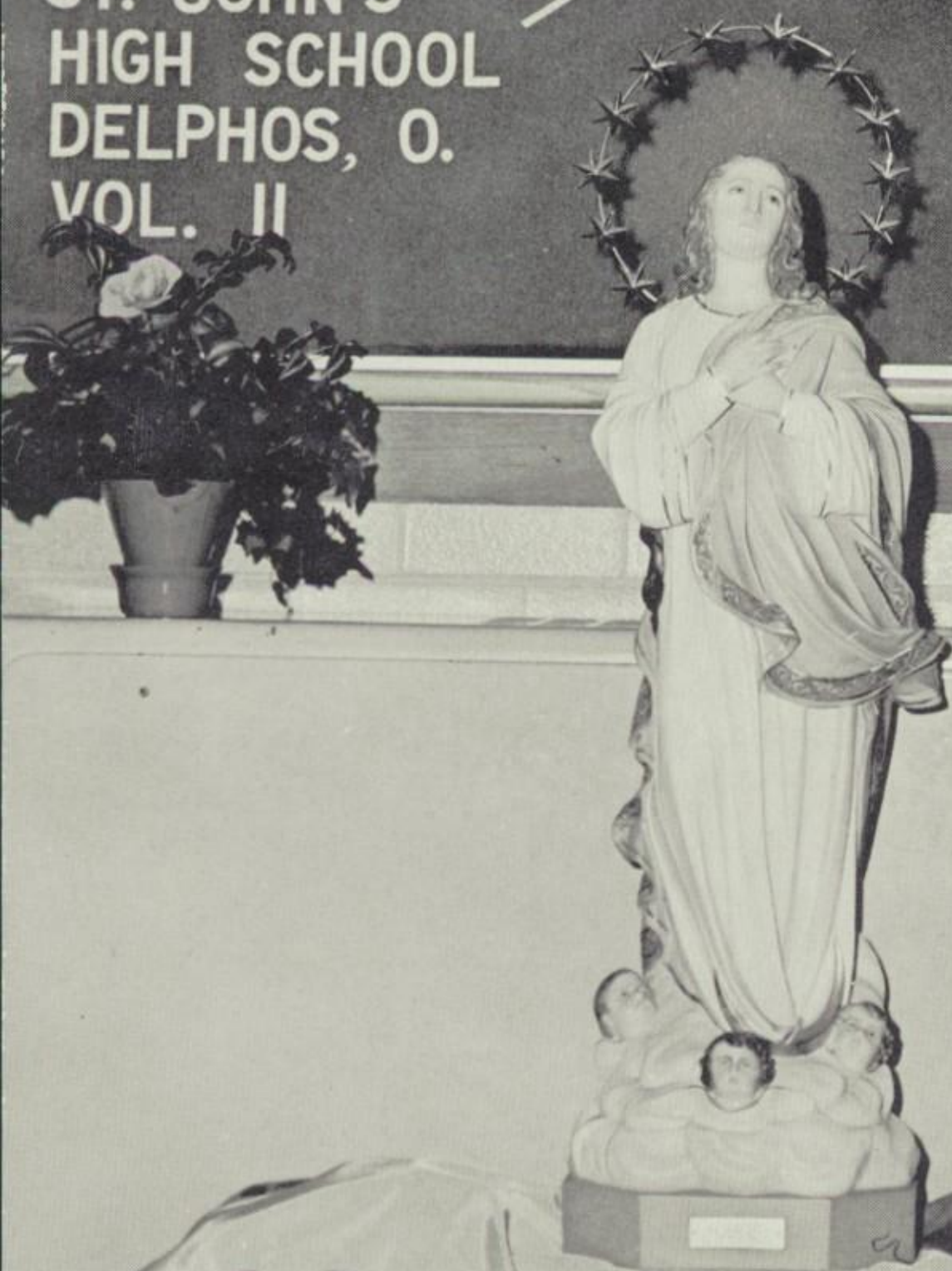


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*Administration*





*Our Bishop—Most Rev. George J. Rehring, S.T.D.  
Bishop of Toledo*





*Our Pastor and Superintendant  
Rt. Rev. Mons. Carl F. Reineck*



## Our Principal

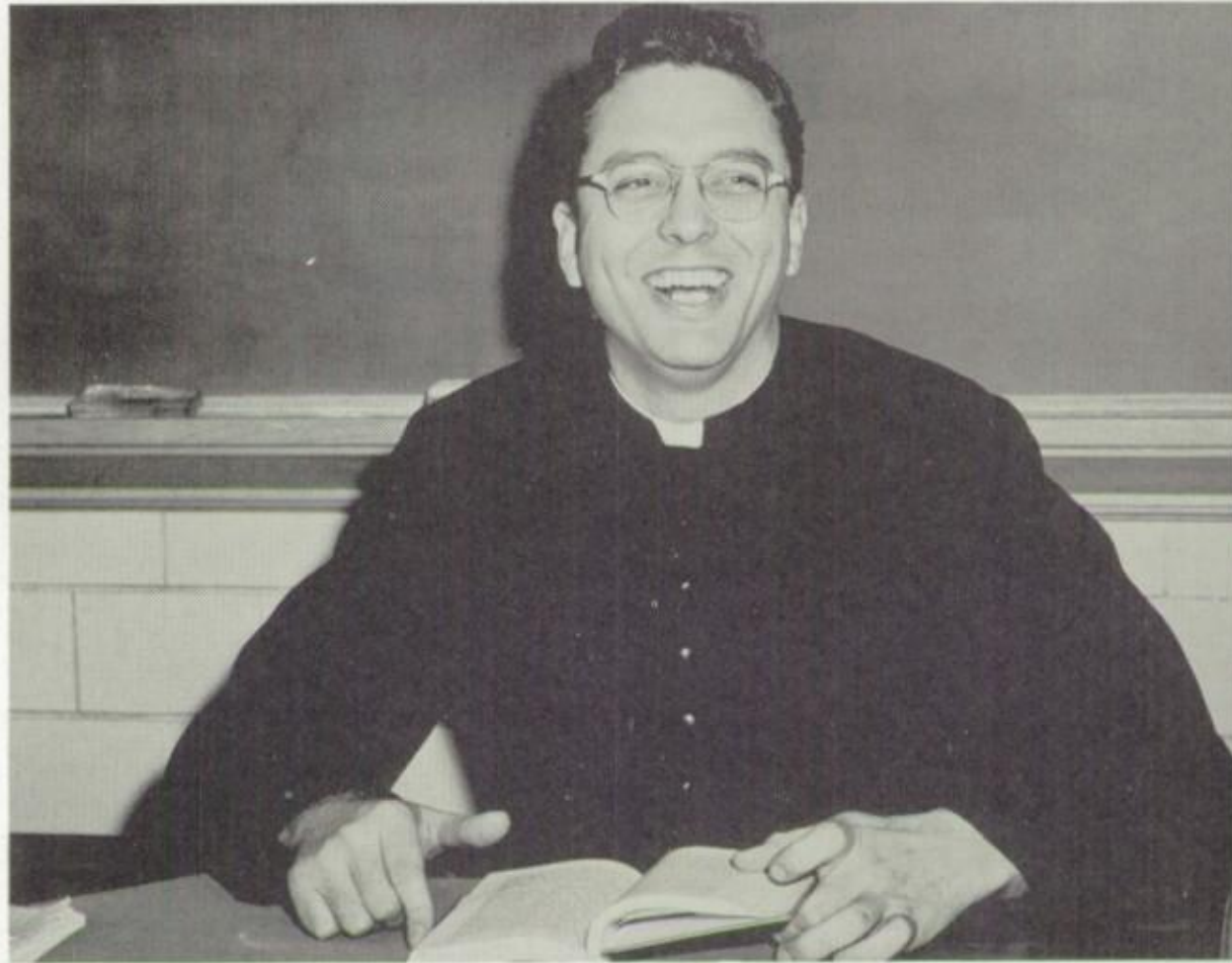
Our Principal, FR. EDWARD C. HERR, was born in Huron, Ohio on February 24, 1911. He graduated from St. John's High School, Toledo, Ohio. He attended St. John's College, Toledo, received his A.B. degree in 1932 from St. Gregory's Seminary and his M.A. in Philosophy from Mount St. Mary's Seminary in 1936. He was ordained June 6, 1936. From Columbia University in New York he received his M.A. in English in 1938. Since September 25, 1938 he has been an assistant at St. John's Parish, a teacher in St. John's High School, and Director of Athletics. In September, 1943 he was appointed by Monsignor Reineck as our Principal. This year he is teaching Senior Apologetics and Dramatics.



FR. ALBERT OTTENWELLER, teacher of Jr. Civics, Sociology, and Sophomore religion. He was born in Stanford, Montana, April 15, 1916. He received his A.B. degree at Catholic University. He was ordained a Priest at Holy Rosary Cathedral on June 18, 1943. After a summer assignment at Sandusky St. Mary's he has been stationed at St. John's, and has taught at St. John's High for thirteen years.

## Our Religion Teachers

FR. RICHARD MILLER, a new teacher on our staff, comes from Lima St. Rose Parish where he was born in 1925. He received his A.B. degree at St. Meinrad's Seminary and was ordained at Holy Rosary Cathedral in Toledo, in 1950. He came to Delphos from St. Peter and Paul's Parish, Sandusky. He teaches Junior Civics, Sociology and Sophomore Religion.





## Our Sisters

SISTER MARY MADELINE received her M.A. degree in Education at Fordham University. She is a Senior advisor and teaches: Latin 3,4; English 4; and American History.

SISTER MARY ROSELLA received her M.A. degree in English from Notre Dame University. She is Senior advisor and teaches: Mechanical Drawing; English 4; Advanced Algebra; and Plane Geometry.

SISTER MARY DELPHINE received her M.A. degree at Notre Dame University in English. She is a Junior advisor and teaches: World History; English 3; Journalism; and Glee Club.

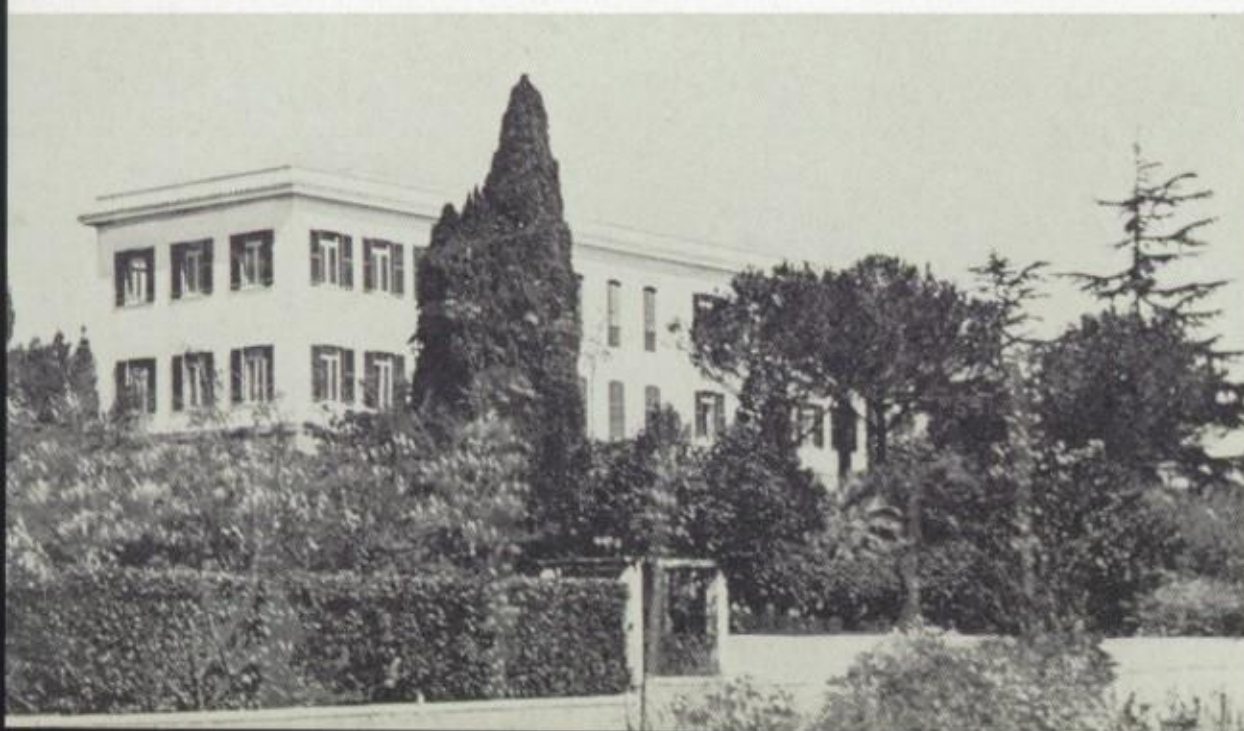
SISTER MARY LEOTA received her M.A. degree from the University of Detroit. She is a Junior advisor and teaches: English 3; Algebra 1; Physics; Typing 1; and General Science.

SISTER MARY LINUS received her B.S.E. at Mary Manse College Toledo. She is a Sophomore advisor; and teaches: English 2; Latin 1, 2; and is School Librarian.

SISTER MARY LORENZO is a new member of St. John's teaching staff and received her M.A. degree from the University of Detroit. She is Sophomore advisor and heads our Home Arts Department. She teaches: Home Arts 1,2,3,4; Biology 1,2; and Typing 1.



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## Our Lady of Fatima

OUR LADY OF FATIMA is the inspiration for the Sisters of Notre Dame who teach at St. John's. Their Order, carrying her name, was founded by Blessed Julie Billiart, in 1850. Our Lady's Chapel at St. John's is their "Headquarters". St. John's students, under their guidance, have been taught to make Notre Dame (Our Lady) also the inspiration of their lives.

SISTER MARY ALOISE received her M.A. degree in Latin and English at Notre Dame University. She is Freshmen advisor and teaches: English 1; Chemistry; Religion 1; and General Science.



SISTER MARY LOUANN who received her M.A. degree in Business Education from Columbia University, is head of our Commercial Department at St. John's. She teaches: Bookkeeping; Shorthand 1,2; Typing 1,2; Secretarial Training.

SISTER MARY ALMA received her B.A. at Teachers' College, Toledo. She is a Freshmen advisor and teaches: Religion 1; Latin 1, 2; General Business; and Algebra 1.

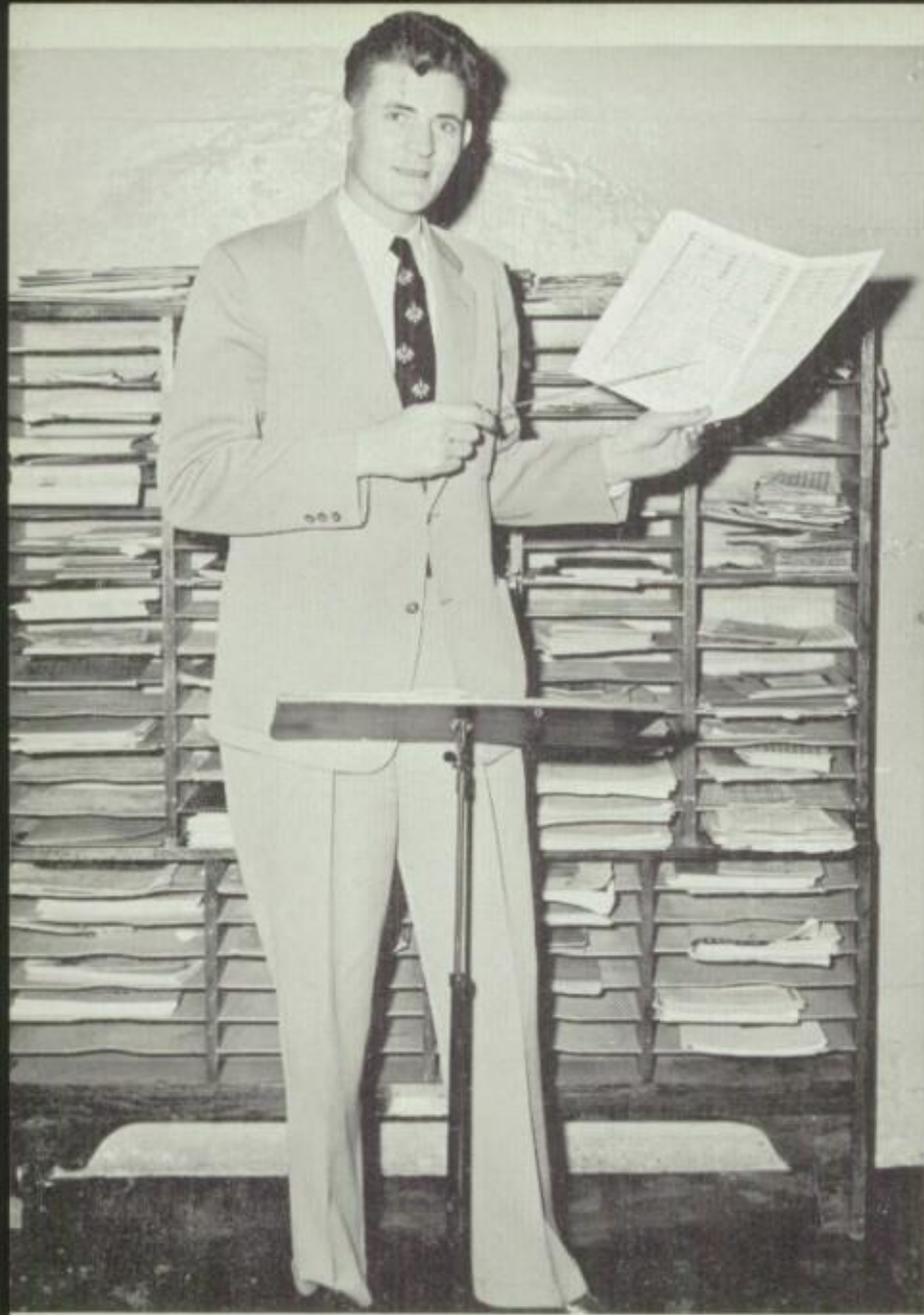


THE GENERALATE of the Sisters of Notre Dame at Rome, Italy. This is the world headquarters of the Sisters who have staffed St. John's school for the past eighty years. In this Generalate resides Mother Mary Vera, Superior General of the Order. This Congregation consists of 3412 Sisters who staff 291 foundations in eight countries throughout the world: United States, South America, Holland, England, Germany, Indonesia, India, and Italy.

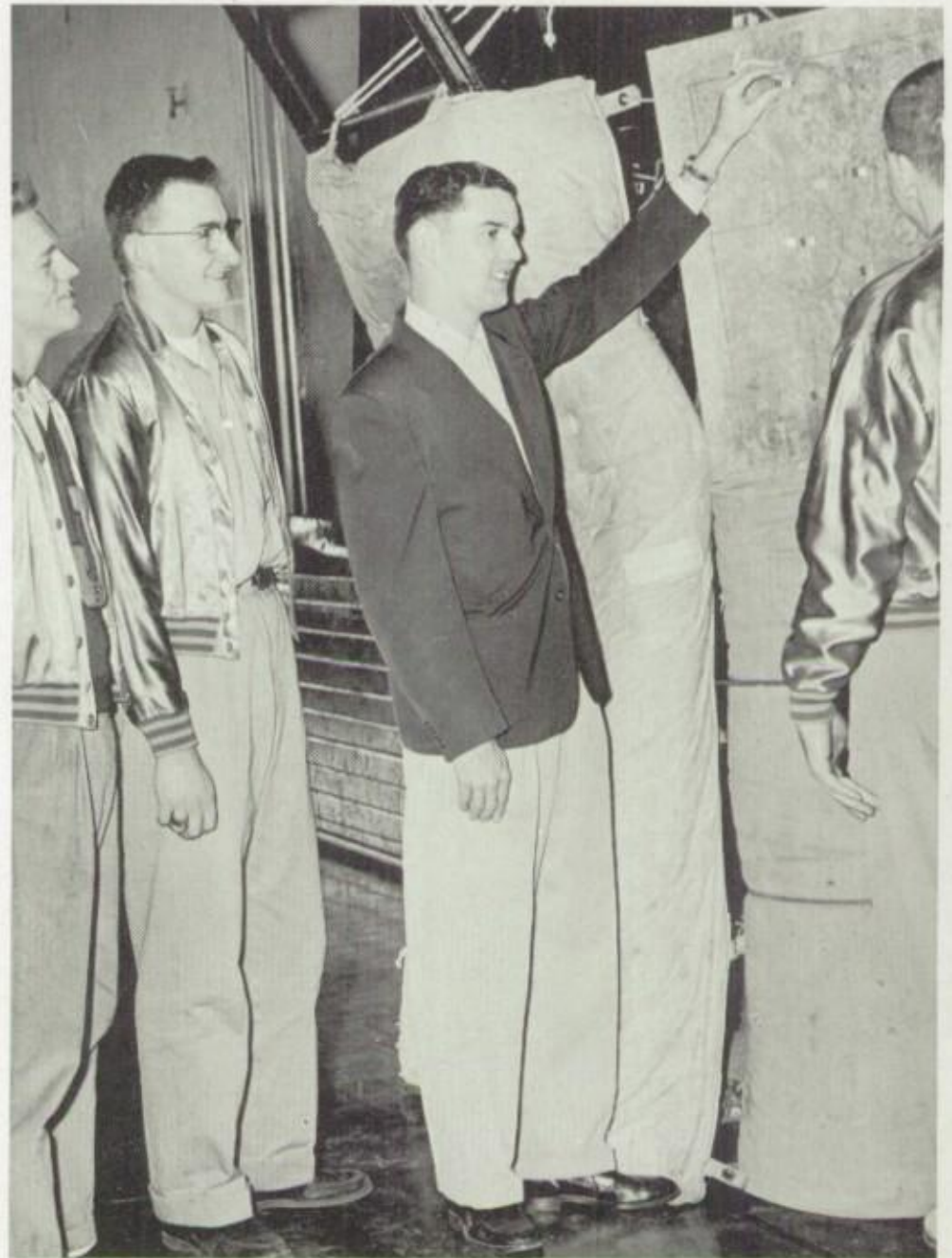
In the United States the Notre Dame Sisters have three Provinces: Toledo and Cleveland in Ohio, and Covington in Kentucky. The nine Sisters who staff St. John's High School and sixteen in St. John's Grade School belong to the Toledo Province whose 327 Sisters staff twenty-seven schools in the Toledo Diocese. Mother Mary Eventia, a former teacher of Delphos St. John's, is Provincial Superior with headquarters on Secor Road, in Toledo.



# Delphos St. John's Lay Faculty

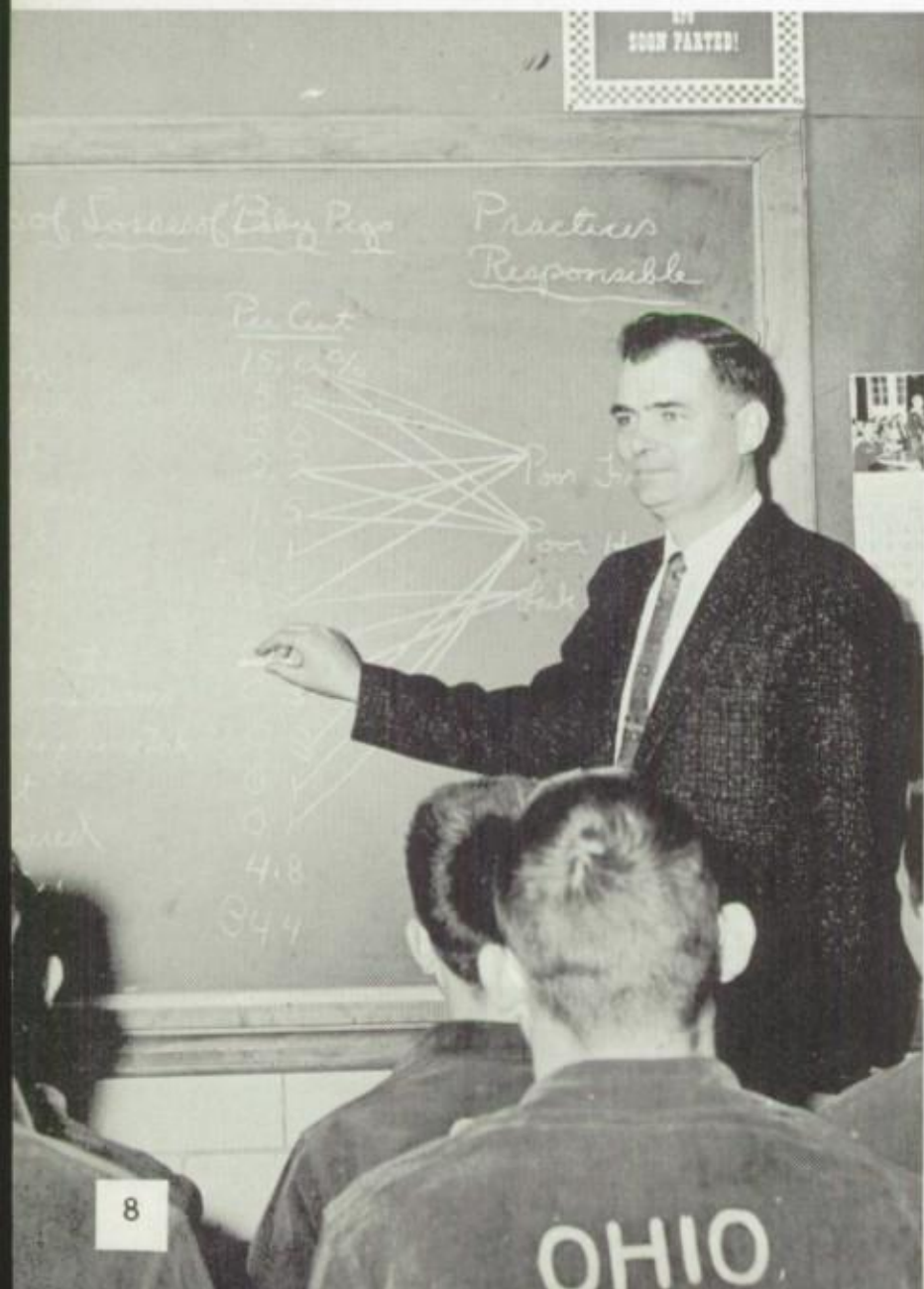


MR. JOHN J. NIJSSEN, our Junior and Senior Band Director, is a native of Kerkrade, Netherlands. He is a graduate of S.M.A. Colleges in Netherlands and did his Post-Graduate work at Bowling Green University. This is Mr. Nijssen's seventh year at St. John's. This year he developed St. John's Marching Band for the Football games.



MR. LLOYD SMITH obtained his Bachelor of Science in Agriculture at Ohio State University. A member of the Delphos Jefferson High School faculty, he teaches Vocational Agriculture to fifty-two St. John's students.

COACH ROBERT ARNZEN, a graduate of Xavier High School, Cincinnati, and Dayton University, came to St. John's in 1950. This year he has added to his already superb coaching career, a successful first-season in Football.





# Auxiliary Teachers

Directing and accompanying on the church organ the different classes as they sing the High Mass, is MISS HELEN STALL-KAMP. She studied music at St. Mary's College, Monroe, Mich. and at the Busch Conservatory in Chicago.



MRS. LILLIAN CLARK, new auxiliary teacher at St. John's, supervises study halls and takes care of the detentions after school. She has proved to be a great help and is greatly appreciated by the students.



MRS. HENRY WEISGERBER, a graduate of St. John's, even removes the fear of being called to the office with her friendly smile. She is always willing to lend a helping hand to any of us.

The newly-organized Blue-Jette Corp was taught by MRS. A. J. MYERS this year. She studied at the Arthur Murray Studio. Here she is leading five of the Senior Blue Jettes: Helen Wagner, Mary Baldauf, Josephine Lucke, Irene Utrup and Ruth Youngpeter.

MRS. CLARE STEINHOUS is in charge of the dancing for the Senior Class Play. She studied dancing at the Busch Conservatory in Chicago. Mrs. Steinhour is seen teaching Carol Nomina one of the leads in "Annie Get Your Gun".



Art work for the Senior Class Play is in charge of MRS. ROBERT HALL. She studied art at St. Vincent College and Academy in Shreveport, Louisiana.



MRS. ROSE FAST, vocal-director of the Senior Class Play, studied music at Notre Dame College in Cleveland.





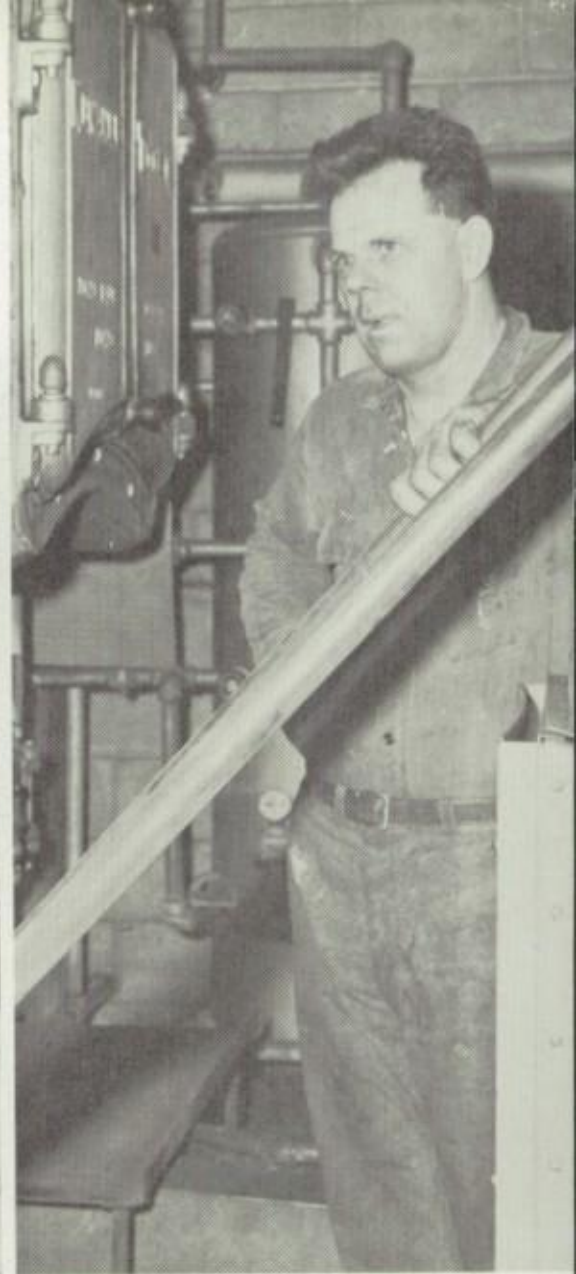
SPECIAL FRIENDS  
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OUR CUSTODIAN: Alphonse Borgelt.



OUR CAFETERIA FRIENDS: Mrs. Katherine Bair, Mrs. Martin Wahmhoff, and Mrs. Harry Backus.



OUR ENGINEER: Oliver Sever.

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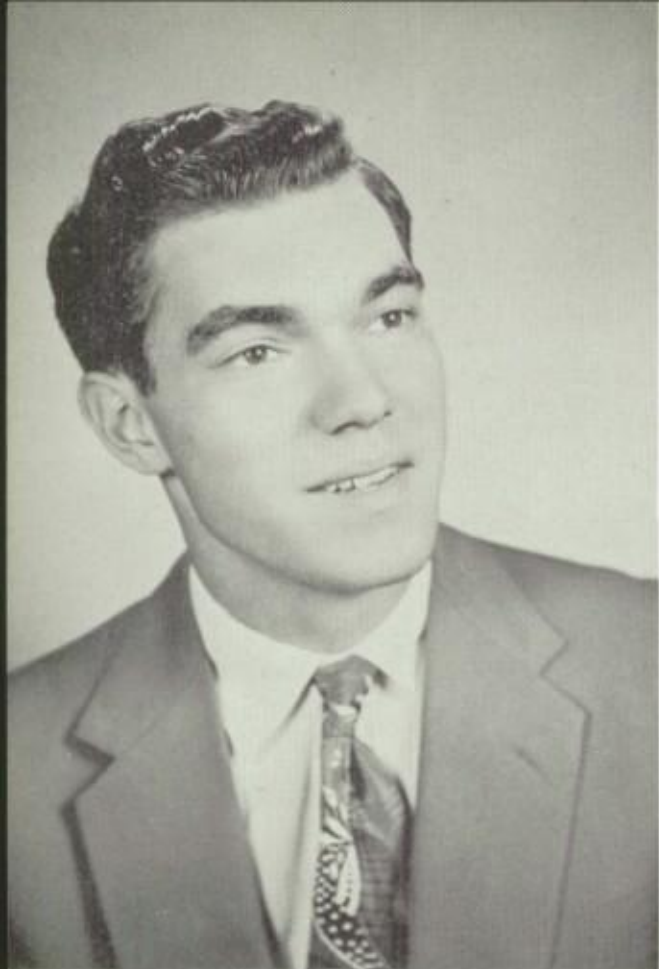






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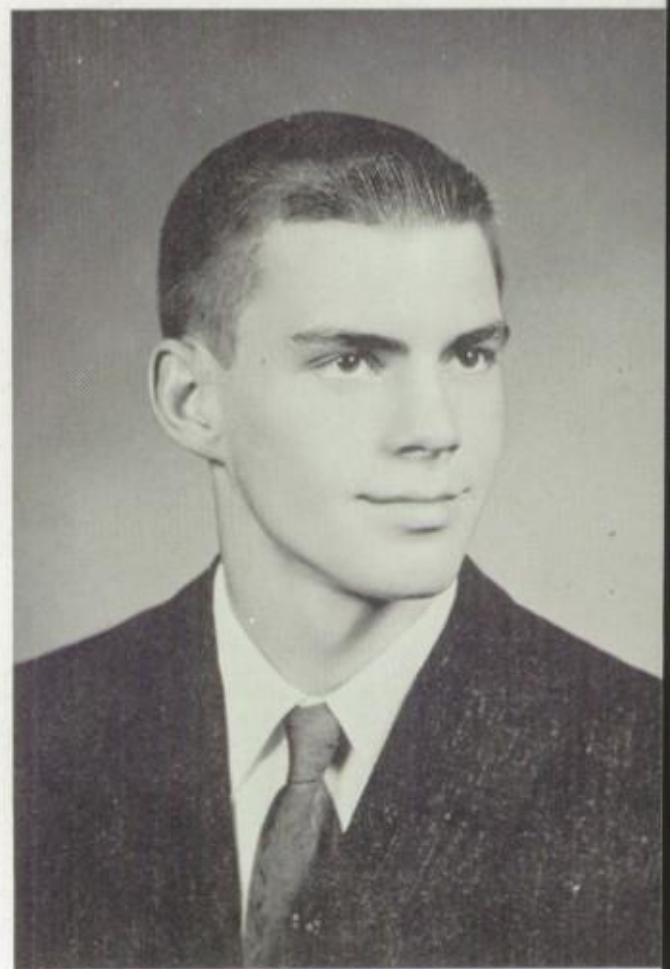
**RICHARD J. BEST**  
Missions 1,2,3,4; Dramatics 4;  
Junior Prom Committee 3; Dance  
Committee 3,4; Track 1.



**MARY C. BALDAUF**  
Missions 2,3,4; Scholastic Honors  
2,3; Commercial Awards 3; Blue-  
Jettes 4; Dramatics 4; Junior Prom  
Com. 3; Dance Com. 2,3.



**ROSEMARY B. ASHBY**  
Missions 1,2,3,4; Glee Club 1,4;  
Dramatics 4; Junior Prom Com. 3;  
Dance Com. 1,2,3,4; Monogram  
Club 1,2; Blue-Jettes 4.



**WILLIAM C. BUSCHOR**  
Missions 1,2,3,4; Officer 4; Merit  
Medalist 4; Merit Student 3,4;  
Scholastic Honors 1,2,3,4; Com-  
mercial Awards 2; Mechanical  
Drawing Award 3; Crest Staff 3,4,  
Co-editor 4; Acolyte 1,2,3,4; Dra-  
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Dance Com. 2,3,4; Monogram  
Club 4; Varsity Football 4; Ohio  
U. Workshop 4.

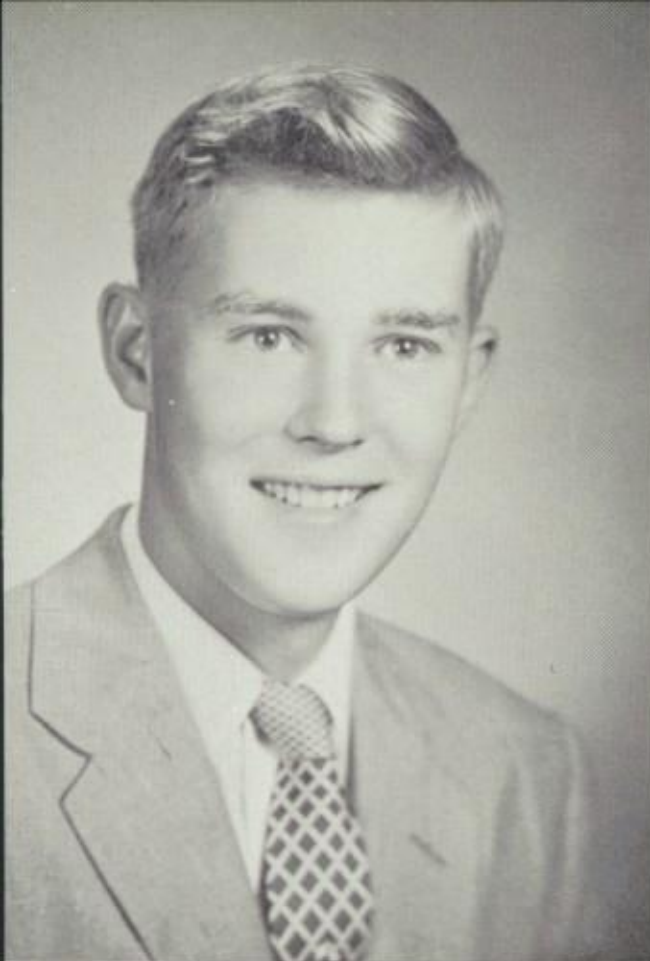


**DONALD V. BOCKEY**  
Missions 1,2,3,4; F.F.A. 1,2,4;  
Dramatics 4; Junior Prom Com. 3;  
Dance Com. 2,3,4.



**BEVERLY A. BONIFAS**  
Missions 1,2,3,4; Officer 4; Merit  
Medalist 1,2,4; Scholastic Honors 1,  
2,3,4; Commercial Awards 2,3,4;  
Shield Staff 4, Typist; Band 1,2;  
Dramatics 4; Junior Prom Com. 3;  
Dance Com. 1,2,3,4; Monogram  
Club 1,2,3; Ohio U. Workshop 4.





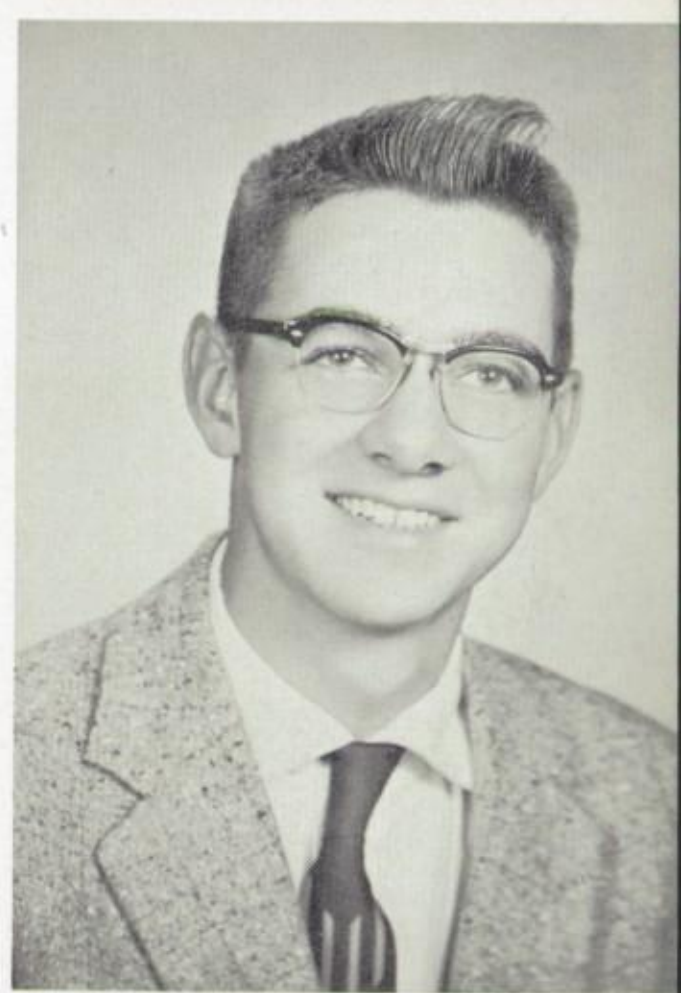
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Missions 1,2,3,4; F.F.A. 1,2,4;  
Scholastic Honors 1,2; Dramatics  
4; Junior Prom Com. 3; Dance Com.  
2,3,4; Perfect Attendance 1,2,3.



**CAROLYN EGGEMAN**  
Missions 1,2,3,4; Student Council  
2; Scholastic Honors 1,2,3,4; Com-  
mercial Awards 2,3,4; Glee Club  
1; Blue-Jettes 4; Dramatics 4; Jun-  
ior Prom Com. 3; Dance Com. 1,  
2,3,4; Perfect Attendance 2,4.



**JEANETTE C. CARDER**  
Missions 1,2,3,4; Merit Medalist  
1; Glee Club 1,4; Blue-Jettes 4;  
Dramatics 4; Junior Prom Com. 3;  
Dance Committee 2,3,4; Mono-  
gram Club 1,2.



**OMER M. ELWER**  
Missions 1,2,3,4; F.F.A. 1,2,3,4;  
Band 1,2,3,4; Acolyte 1,2,3,4;  
Dramatics 4; Dance Com. 2; Mono-  
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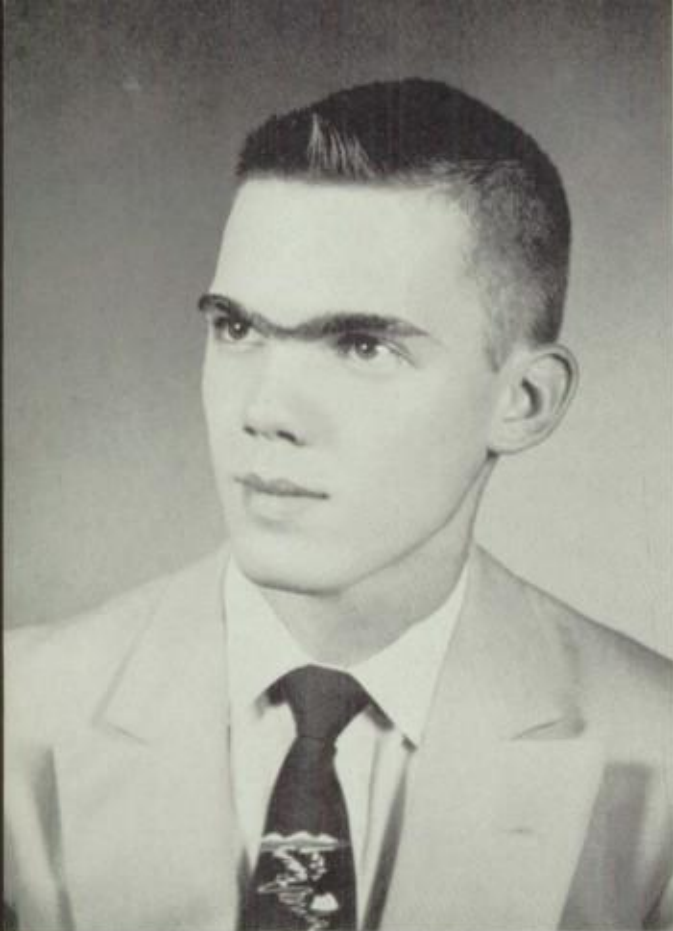


**PAUL J. EBBESKOTTE**  
Missions 1,2,3,4; Student Council  
1; F.F.A. 1,2,3,4, Secretary 3;  
Scholastic Honors 1,2,3,4; Glee  
Club 1; Band 1,2,3,4; Orchestra 4;  
Acolyte 1,2,3,4; Dramatics 4; Jun-  
ior Prom Com. 3; Perfect Attend-  
ance 1,2,3.



**CAROLE A. FRIEMOTH**  
Missions 1,2,3,4; Scholastic Hon-  
ors 2; Commercial Awards 3; Dra-  
matics 4; Junior Prom Committee 3;  
Dance Committee 2,3,4; Monogram  
Club 1,2.





**RONALD C. FALTER**  
Missions 1,2,3,4; Officer 2; Student Council 4; Scholastic Honors 1,2,3,4; Mechanical Drawing Award 3; Orchestra 4; Acolyte 1,2,3,4; Dramatics 4; Junior Prom Com. 3; Monogram Club 4; Football Publicity Manager 4; Baseball 1,2,3,4.



**VELMA A. HEMPFLING**  
Missions 1,2,3,4; Scholastic Honors 1,2,3,4; Commercial Awards 3,4; Glee Club 1,4; Dramatics 4; Junior Prom Com. 3; Dance Com. 2,3.



**ROSEMARY GERDEMAN**  
Missions 1,2,3,4; Merit Student 1,2,3,4; Glee Club 4; Blue-Jettes 4; Dramatics 4; Junior Prom Com. 3; Dance Committee 1,2,3,4.



**ARTHUR J. GOERGENS**  
Missions 1,2,3,4; Glee Club 1; Acolyte 1,2,3,4; Dramatics 4; Junior Prom Com. 3; Dance Com. 2,3; Monogram Club 2,3; Varsity Basketball Manager 2,3,4.



**ROBERT J. FISCHER**  
Missions 1,2,3,4; F.F.A. 4; Acolyte 1,2,3; Dramatics 4; Monogram Club 4; Varsity Football 4.



**JANE M. HEMPFLING**  
Missions 1,2,3,4; Student Council 1,2,4; Merit Medalist 3; Scholastic Honors 1,2,3; Commercial Awards 2,3; Crest Staff 3,4; Art Editor 4; Glee Club 1; Dramatics 4; Junior Prom Com. 3; Dance Com. 1,2,3,4; Monogram Club 1,2,3; Cheerleader 3.

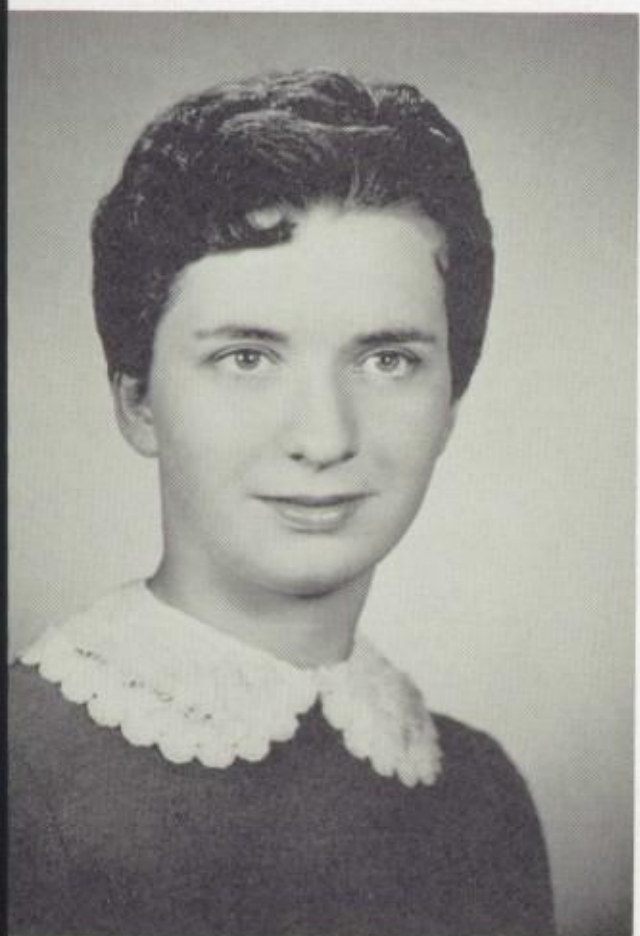




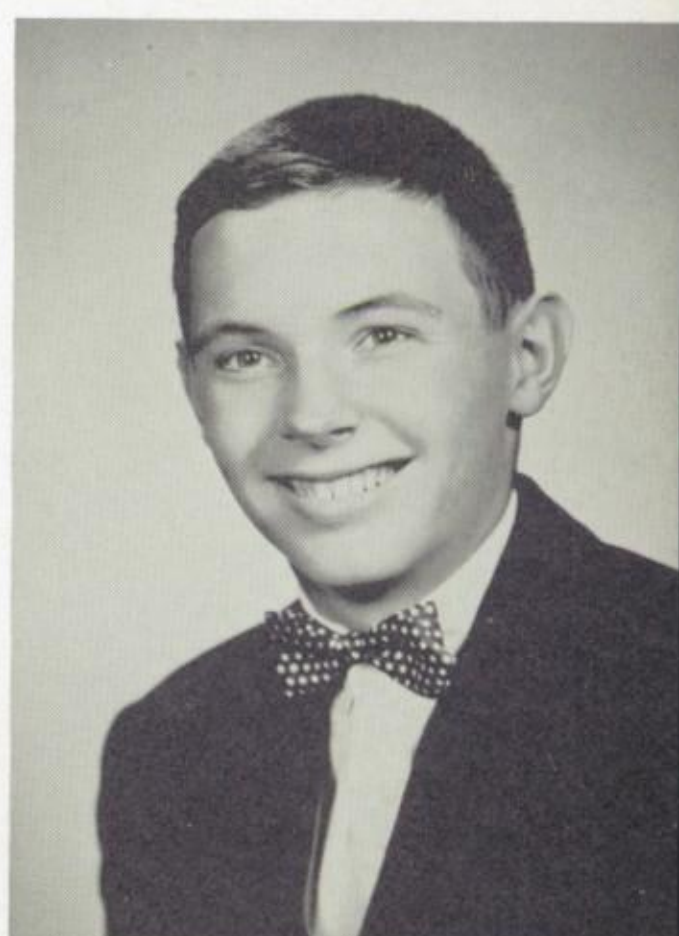
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 Com. 3.



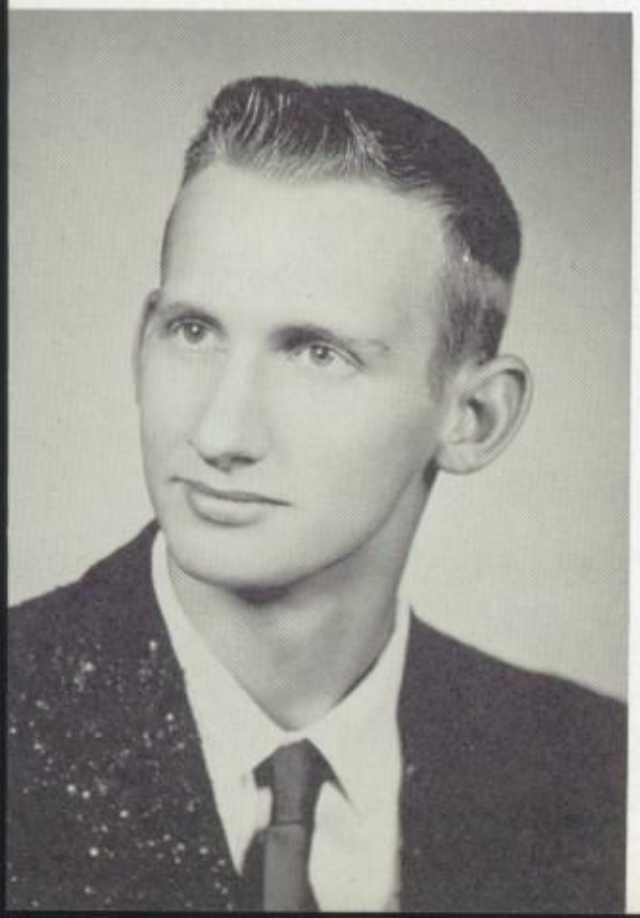
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 Missions 1,2,3,4; Merit Medalist  
 3; Scholastic Honors 1,2,3,4; Com-  
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 inum Award 3; Shield Staff 4; Glee  
 Club 1; Dramatics 4; Junior Prom  
 Com. 3; Dance Com. 1,2,3,4;  
 Monogram Club 2,3; Ticket Sell-  
 er 3,4.



**ALICE A. HESSELING**  
 Missions 1,2,3,4; Scholastic Hon-  
 ors 2,3; Glee Club 1; Band 1,2,  
 3,4; Dramatics 4; Junior Prom  
 Committee 3; Dance Committee 1,  
 2,3,4; Monogram Club 1,2,3,4.



**JOHN F. IMBER**  
 Missions 1,2,3,4; Scholastic Hon-  
 ors 3; Glee Club 1; Band 1,2; Ac-  
 olyte 1,2,3,4; Dramatics 3,4; Jun-  
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 3,4; Monogram Club 4; Baseball 2,  
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 V.O.D. Speech 4.

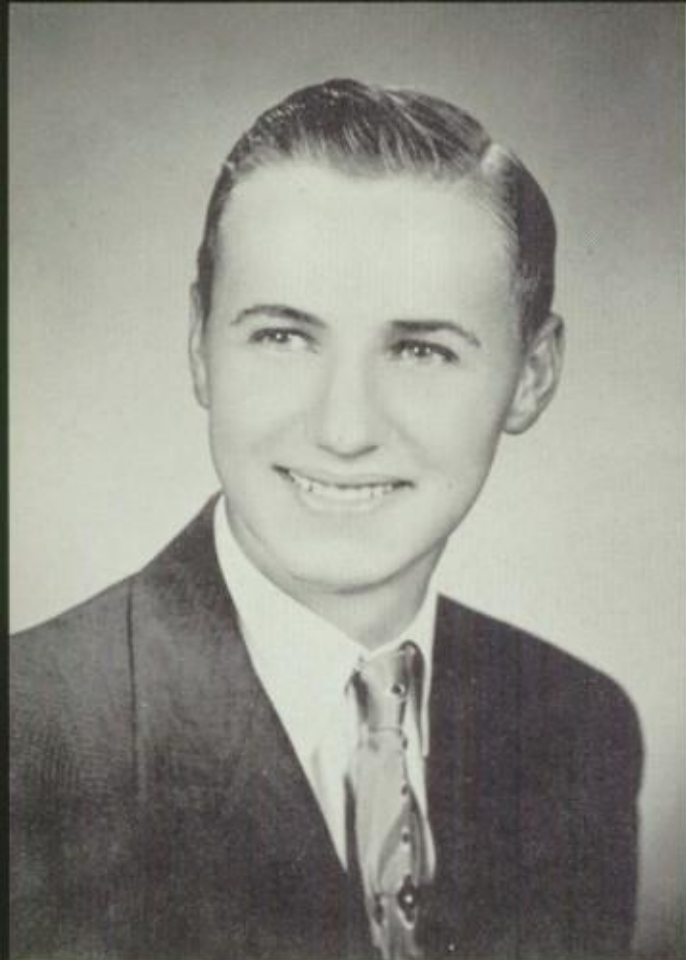


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 Missions 1,2,3,4; Dramatics 4;  
 Dance Committee 1,2,3; Monogram  
 Club 1,2,3,4; Track 1; Basketball  
 1,2; Varsity Basketball 2,3.



**ROSALIND B. KILL**  
 Missions 1,2,3,4; Scholastic Hon-  
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 Junior Prom Committee 3; Dance  
 Committee 2,3,4.





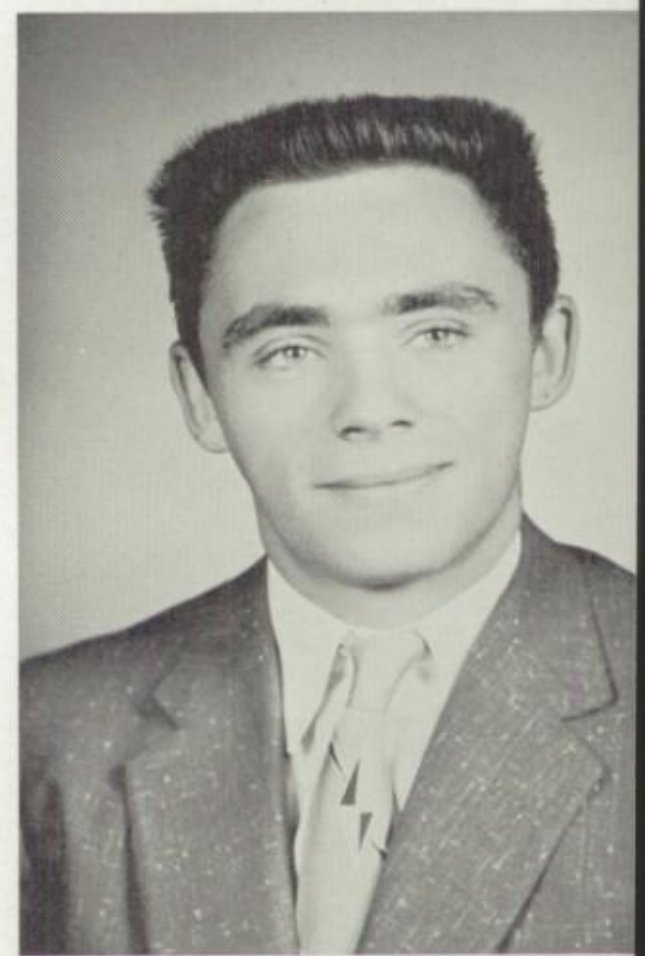
**ROBERT A. KORTOKRAX**  
Missions 1,2,3,4; Band 1,2; Dramatics 4; Junior Prom Committee 3; Dance Com. 2,3; Monogram Club 4; Football Manager 4; F.F.A. 1,2,3,4; Vice-President 4.



**SHIRLEY A. KLAUS**  
Missions 1,2,3,4; Scholastic Honors 1,2,3,4; Commercial Awards 3,4; Glee Club 1; Dramatics 4; Junior Prom Com. 3; Dance Com. 1,2,3,4.



**SUZANNE M. KILL**  
Missions 1,2,3,4; Merit Medalist 1,2,4; Scholastic Honors 2,3; Commercial Awards 3; Shield Staff 4; Fourth Page Editor; Glee Club 1; Dramatics 3,4; Junior Prom Com. 3; Dance Com. 1,2,3,4; Monogram Club 1,2,3; Ohio U. Workshop 4.



**JAMES I. LAUSE**  
Missions 1,2,3,4; Band 1,2,3,4; Orchestra 4; Dramatics 4; Junior Prom Com. 3; Dance Com. 4; Monogram Club 4; Varsity Football 4.



**VINCENT W. KEHRES**  
Missions 1,2,3,4; F.F.A. 1,2,3,4; Reporter 3; Dramatics 4; Junior Prom Committee 3; Dance Committee 1,2,3.



**NANCY M. LAUSE**  
Missions 1,2,3,4; Merit Student 1,2,3,4; Scholastic Honors 1,2; Commercial Awards 3; Shield Staff 4; Band 1,2,3,4; Dramatics 4; Junior Prom Com. 3; Dance Com. 1,2,3,4; Monogram Club 1,4.





**MICHAEL E. LEHMANN**  
Missions 1,2,3,4; Merit Medalist  
3; Acolyte 1,2; Dramatics 4; Junior  
Prom Com. 3; Dance Com. 2,3;  
Track 1.



**RUTH L. MARTIN**  
Missions 2,3,4; Glee Club 2,3,4;  
Dramatics 4; Junior Prom Com. 3;  
Dance Com. 2,3,4; Perfect At-  
tendance 2.



**JOSEPHINE M. LUCKE**  
Missions 1,2,3,4; Blue-Jettes 4;  
Dramatics 4; Junior Prom Com. 3;  
Dance Com. 3,4; Monogram Club  
2,3,4; Athletic Com. 3,4; Glee  
Club 2,3; Band 2,3; Drum Major.



**GARY F. MYERS**  
Missions 2,3,4; F.F.A. 2, Assist-  
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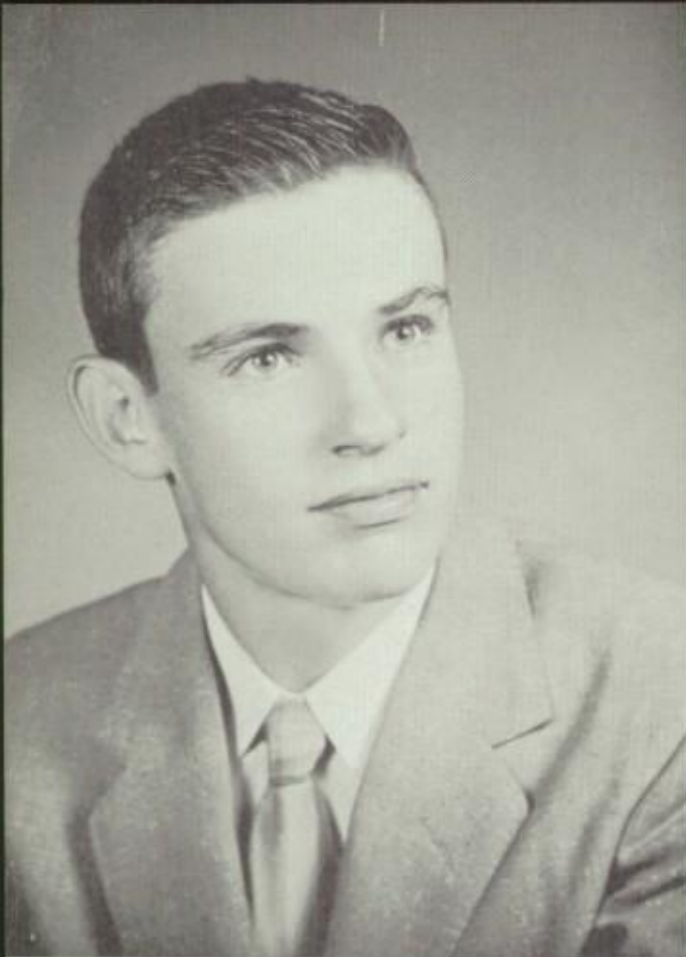


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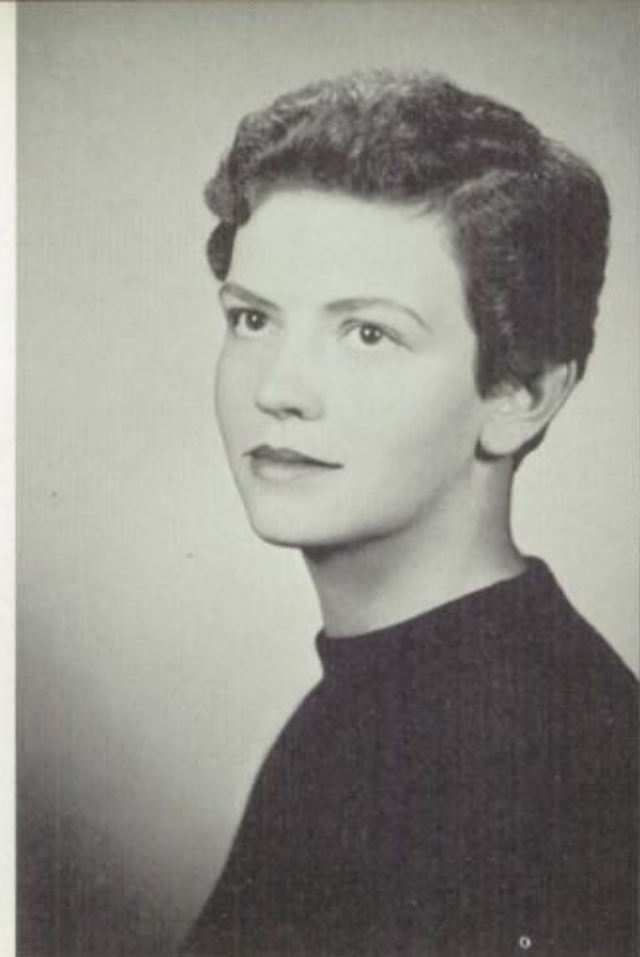


**CAROL M. MICHALEC**  
Missions 2,3,4; Officer 3; Student  
Council President 4; Scholastic  
Honors 2,3,4; Commercial Awards  
3; Shield Staff 4, 1st Page Editor;  
Crest Staff 3; Glee Club 2,3,4;  
Dramatics 3,4; Junior Prom Com.  
3; Dance Com. 3,4; Ohio U. Work-  
shop 4.





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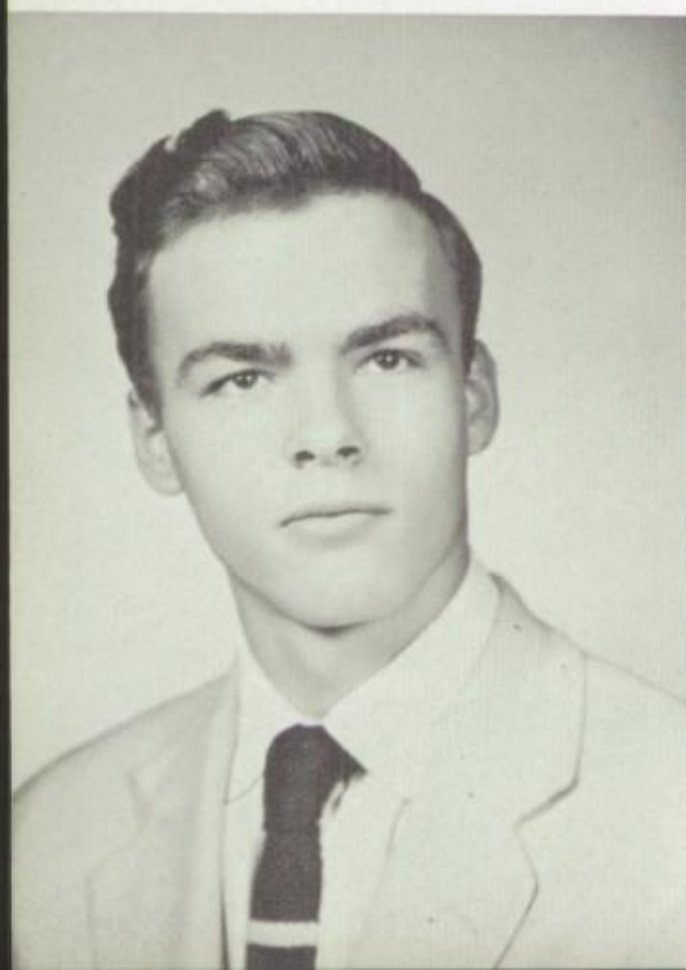
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Missions 1,2,3,4; Student Council 3; Scholastic Honors 1,2; Shield Staff, Page Editor 4; Glee Club 1,3,4; Dramatics 3,4; Junior Prom Com. 3; Dance Com. 1,2,3,4; Ohio U. Workshop 4.



**PATRICIA A. MUELLER**  
Missions 1,2,3,4; Officer 1; Scholastic Honors 1,2,3,4; Commercial Awards 4; Shield Staff 4; Dramatics 4; Junior Prom Com. 3; Dance Com. 1,2,3,4.



**ROBERT H. POTHAST**  
Missions 1,2,3,4; President 4; Officer 3; Merit Medalist 3; F.F.A. 1,2,3,4; President 4; Dramatics 4; Junior Prom Com. 3; Dance Com. 2,3,4; Monogram Club 1,2,3,4; Varsity Basketball 2,3,4.



**C. GENE PLACKE**  
Missions 2,3,4; Student Council 3; Band 2,3,4, President 4; Orchestra 4; Dramatics 4; Junior Prom Com. 3; Dance Com. 2,3,4; Monogram Club 4.



**VALETA G. POTHAST**  
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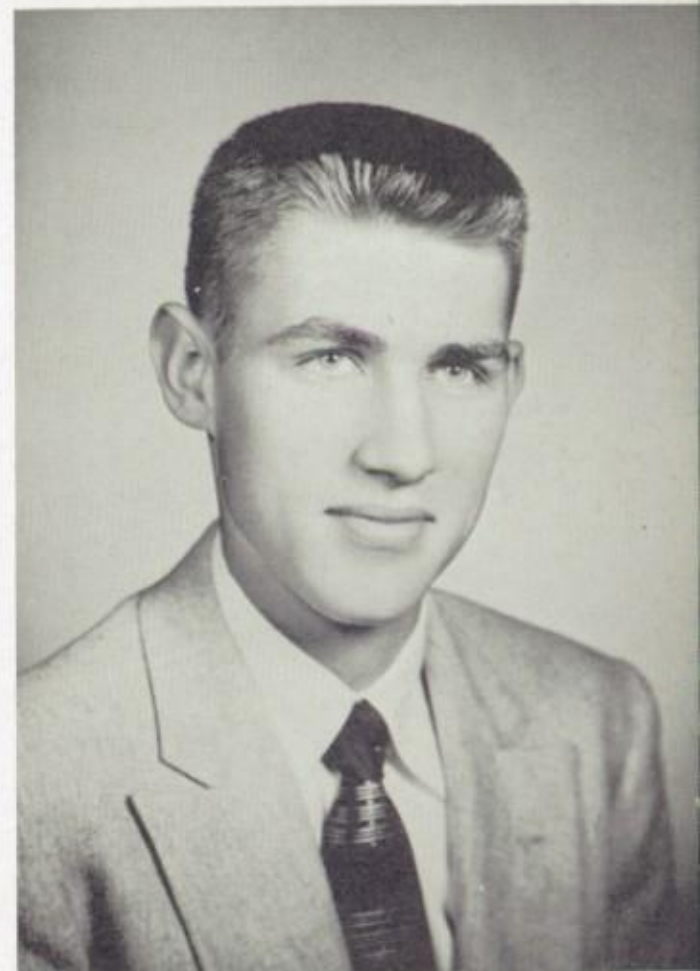
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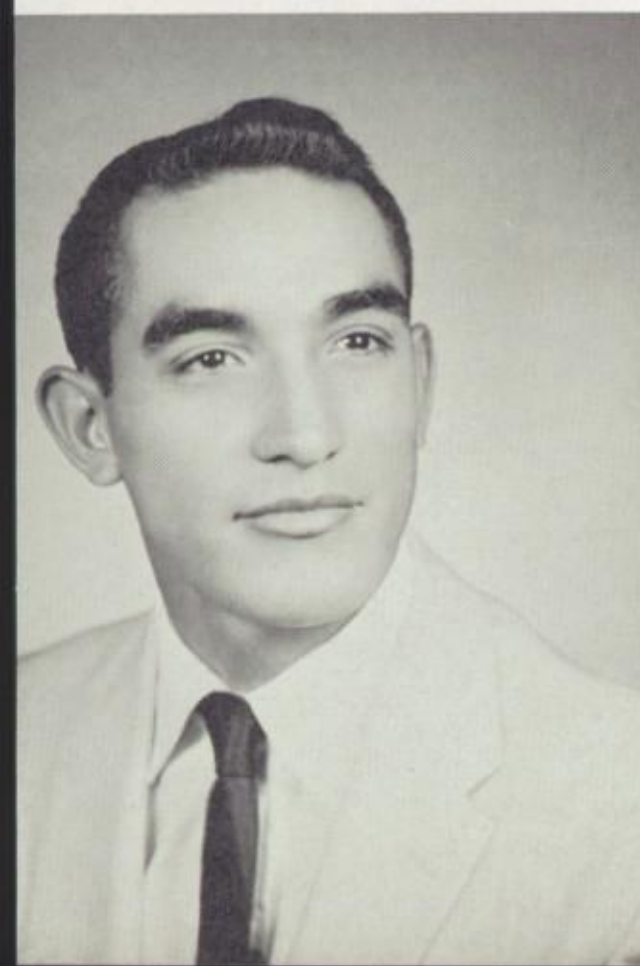
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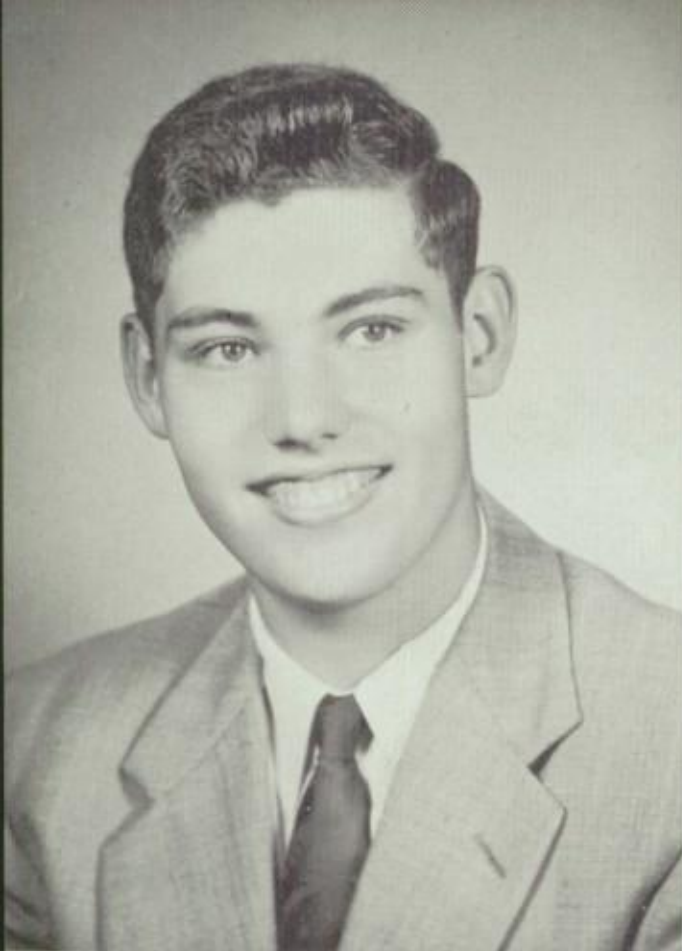


**ARTURO T. PRESAS**  
Missions 1,2,3,4; Orchestra 4; Junior Prom Com. 3; Dance Com. 2,3; Monogram Club 1,2,4; Varsity Football 4; Baseball 2,3,4; Basketball 1,2.



**ANN M. SHUMAKER**  
Missions 1,2,3,4; Scholastic Honors 1,2; Crest Staff 4; Business Mgr. 4; Glee Club 1; Band 1,2,3,4, Officer 4; Drum Majorette 3,4; Dramatics 4; Junior Prom Com. 3; Dance Com. 2,3,4; Monogram Club 2,4; Freshmen Basketball Cheerleader.





**JACK REINEMEYER**  
 Missions 1,2,3,4; Officer 4; Merit Medalist 1,2,3,4; Scholastic Honors 3,4; Commercial Awards 4; Mechanical Drawing Award 3; Shield Staff, Business Mgr. 4; Acolyte 1,2,3,4; Dramatics 4; Junior Prom Com. 3; Dance Com. 1,2,3,4; Monogram Club 4; Varsity Football 4; Ohio U. Workshop 4.



**JANICE L. STAHL**  
 Missions 1,2,3,4; Officer 3; Class Vice-President 4; Student Council 1; Merit Medalist 3,4; Scholastic Honors 1,2,3,4; Commercial Awards 3,4; Shield Staff 4; Band 1,2; Dramatics 4; Junior Prom Com. 3; Dance Com. 1,2,3,4; Monogram Club 3; Buckeye Girls' State Winner.



**BARBARA A. SICKLES**  
 Missions 1,2,3,4; Shield Staff 4; Band 1,2,3,4; Secretary 4; Dramatics 4; Junior Prom Com. 3; Dance Com. 3; Monogram Club 3,4.



**JAMES L. SCHIMMOLLER**  
 Missions 1,2,3,4; Scholastic Honors 3; Dramatics 4; Junior Prom Com. 3; Dance Com. 3,4; Monogram Club 4; Football Manager 4.



**JAMES R. RICHEY**  
 Missions 1,2,3,4; Merit Medalist 2; Dramatics 3,4; Junior Prom Com. 3; Dance Com. 1,2; Monogram Club 1; Baseball 3; Basketball 1, Track 1.



**IRENE H. UTRUP**  
 Missions 1,2,3,4; Officer 2; Merit Medalist 2,3; Scholastic Honors 1,2,3,4; Commercial Awards 3; Glee Club 1; Blue-Jettes 4; Dramatics 4; Junior Prom Com. 3; Dance Committee 1,2,3,4; Monogram Club 1,2,3; Librarian 2,3,4.





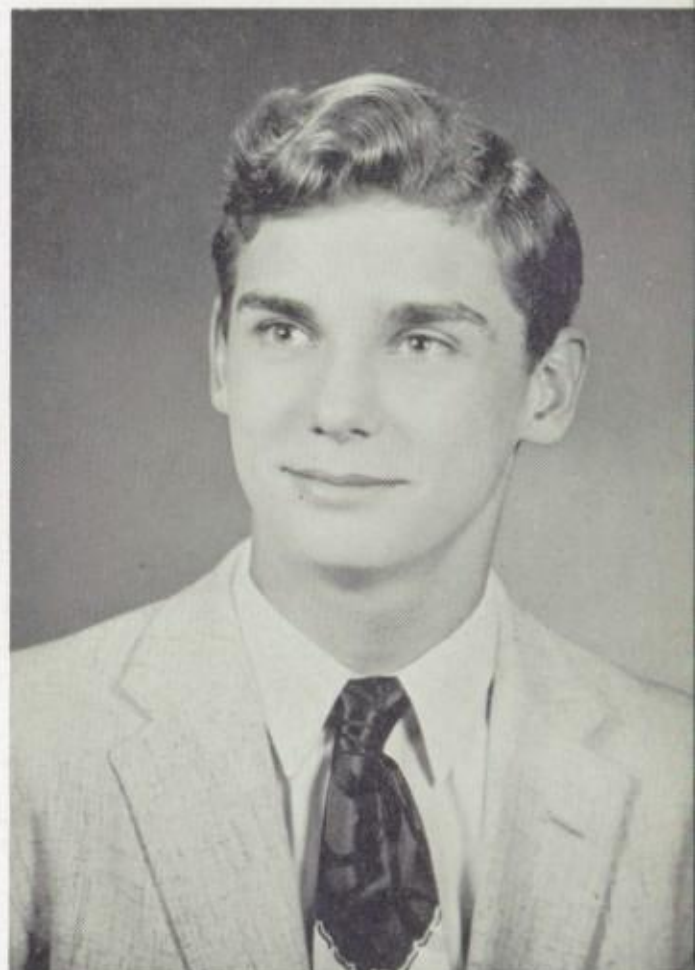
**JOHN R. SCHOSKER**  
Missions 1,2,3,4; Merit Medalist 2,3; Glee Club 1,2,3,4; Dramatics 4; Junior Prom Committee 3; Dance Committee 3,4; Perfect Attendance 1,2,3,4.



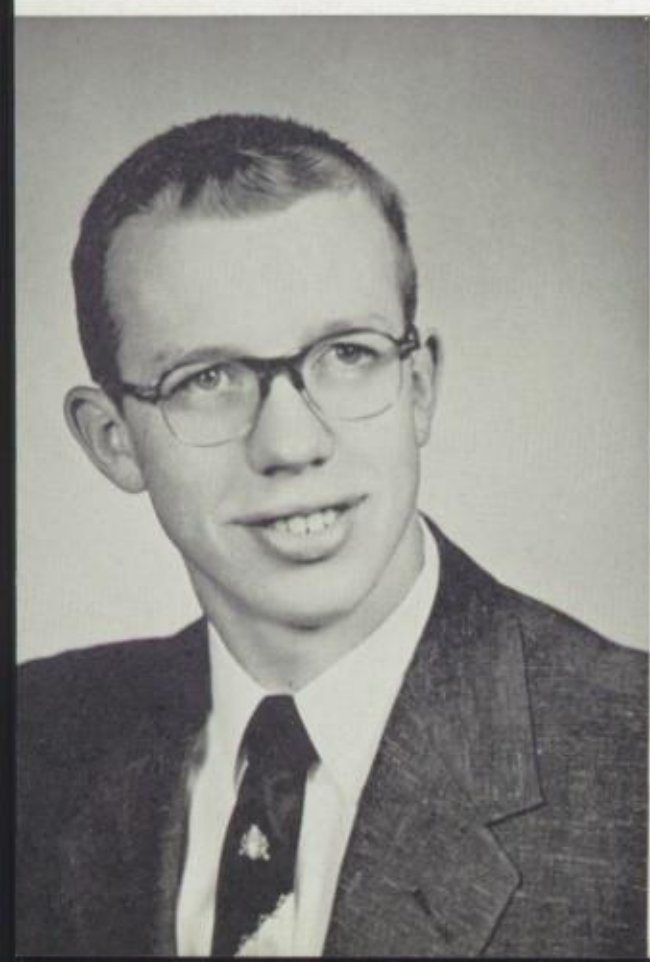
**HELEN L. WAGNER**  
Missions 1,2,3,4; Merit Medalist 1,2,3,4; Commercial Awards 2,3,4; Glee Club 1; Blue-Jettes 4; Dramatics 4; Junior Prom Committee 3; Dance Committee 1,2,3,4; Monogram Club 1,2,3,4; Librarian 2,3,4.



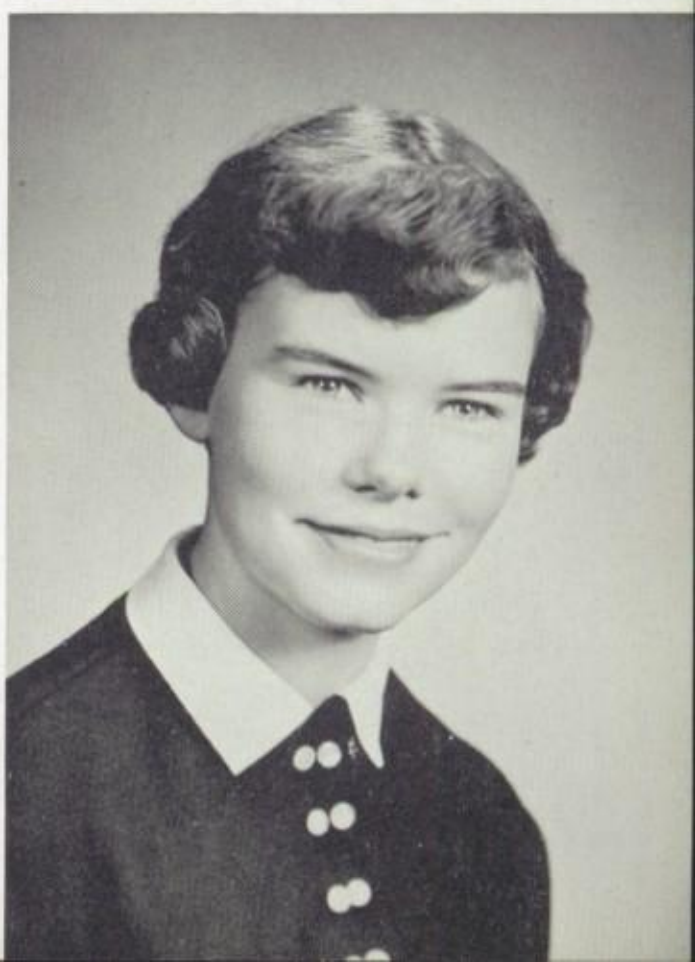
**MARY C. VOGT**  
Missions 1,2,3,4; Officer 2,3; Student Council 4; Merit Medalist 2,3,4; Scholastic Honors 1,2,3,4; Commercial Awards 2,3,4; Crest Staff 3,4, Co-editor 4; Band 1,2; Dramatics 4; Junior Prom Com. 3; Dance Com. 1,2,3,4; Monogram Club 1,2,3; Cheerleader 3; Freshmen Basketball Cheerleader; Ohio U. Workshop 4; Perfect Attendance 1,2; Senior Attendant 4.



**JOHN E. SHEETER**  
Missions 1,2,3,4; Merit Medalist 1; Mechanical Drawing Award 3; Acolyte 1,2,3,4; Dramatics 3,4; Dance Committee 1,2,3,4; Baseball 3,4; Track 1; Junior Prom Committee 3.



**RICHARD SCHLAGBAUM**  
Missions 1,2,3,4; Officer 1,2,3; Class President 4; Merit Medalist 1,2,3,4; Scholastic Honors 1,2,3,4; Shield Staff 4, 3rd Page Editor; Acolyte 1,2,3,4; Dramatics 3,4; Junior Prom Committee 3; Monogram Club 2,3,4; Varsity Football 4, Co-Captain; Basketball 1,2; Cheerleader 3; Ohio U. Workshop 4; V.O.D., Speech Winner.



**NANCY E. WEBER**  
Missions 1,2,3,4; Merit Medalist 2; Merit Student 1,2,3,4; Shield Staff 4; Crest Staff 4, Distribution Editor 4; Glee Club 1; Dramatics 3,4; Junior Prom Com. 3; Dance Com. 1,2,3,4; Monogram Club 1,2,4; Football Cheerleader 4.





WALTER E. SUEVER  
Missions 1, 2, 3, 4; Scholastic Hon-  
ors 1, 3; Dramatics 4; Junior Prom  
Committee 3; Dance Committee  
1, 2, 3, 4; Monogram Club 1, 2, 4;  
Baseball 1, 3, 4; Varsity Football  
4; Basketball 1, 2.

HELEN L. WROCKLAGE  
Missions 1, 2, 3, 4; Merit Medalist  
2; Scholastic Honors 1, 2, 3, 4; Com-  
mercial Awards 3, 4; Band 1, 2;  
Blue-Jettes 4; Dramatics 4; Junior  
Prom Com. 3; Dance Com. 1, 2, 3, 4;  
Monogram Club 1, 2, 3; Freshmen  
Basketball Cheerleader.



DEANNE M. WEIGLE  
Missions 1, 2, 3, 4; Officer 4; Stu-  
dent Council 1, 3; Merit Medalist  
1, 2, 3, 4; Scholastic Honors 1, 2, 3,  
4; Commercial Awards 2, 3; Shield  
Staff 4, Editor-in-chief; Band 1, 2;  
Dramatics 4; Junior Prom Com. 3;  
Dance Com. 1, 2, 3, 4; Monogram  
Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Football Cheerlead-  
er 4; Freshmen Basketball Cheer-  
leader; Ohio U. Workshop 4; Home-  
coming Queen 4.

NORMAN H. VONDRAN  
Missions 1, 2, 3, 4; Scholastic Hon-  
ors 1, 2, 3, 4; Commercial Awards  
3; Crest Staff 3, Sports Editor; Dra-  
matics 4; Junior Prom Com. 3; Dance  
Com. 1, 2, 3, 4; Monogram Club 2,  
4; Varsity Football 4; Basketball 2.



LARRY R. SPIELES  
Missions 1, 2, 3, 4; Student Council  
3; Merit Medalist 2; Scholastic Hon-  
ors 2; Commercial Awards 2, 3; Ac-  
olyte 1, 2, 3, 4; Dramatics 4; Junior  
Prom Com. 3; Dance Com. 1, 2, 3,  
4; Monogram Club 1, 4; Varsity  
Football 4; Baseball 2, 3, 4; Basket-  
ball 1; V.O.D. Speech 4.

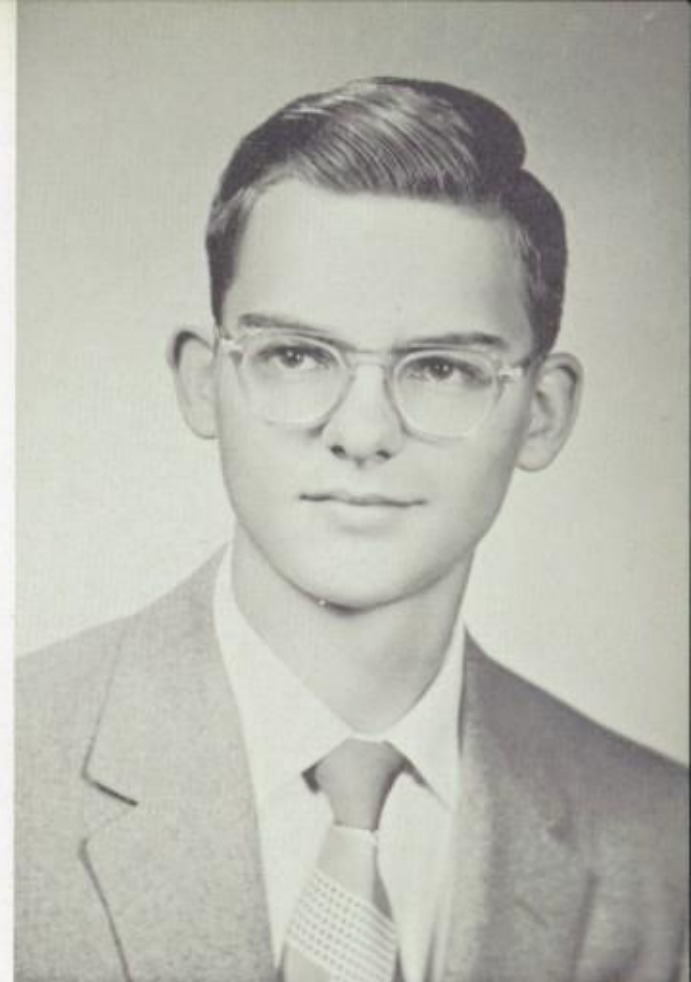
RUTH A. YOUNGPETER  
Missions 1, 2, 3, 4; Scholastic Hon-  
ors 1, 2, 3; Auxilium Latinum Award  
3; Glee Club 1; Blue-Jettes 4; Dra-  
matics 4; Junior Prom Committee 3;  
Dance Committee 1, 2, 3, 4; Fresh-  
men Basketball Cheerleader; Per-  
fect Attendance 1.







**JOHN F. VONDERWELL**  
Missions 1,2,3,4; Merit Medalist 3; F.F.A. 1,2,3,4, Secretary 4; Band 1,2,3,4, Officer 4; Orchestra 4; Dramatics 4; Junior Prom Com. 3; Dance Com. 4; Monogram Club 4; Baseball 2,3,4; Perfect Attendance 2,3,4.



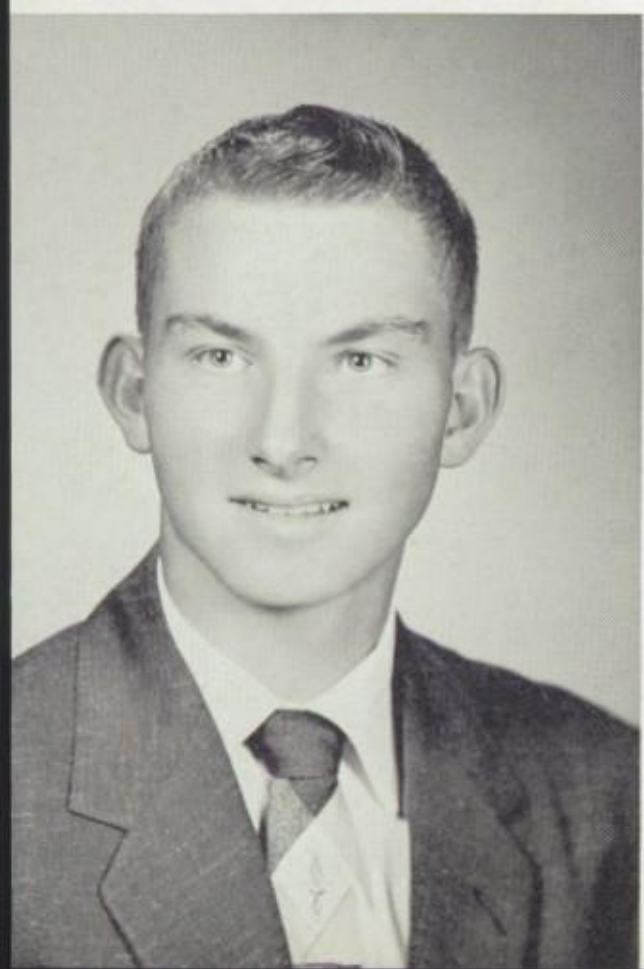
**DAVID W. WEISGERBER**  
Missions 1,2,3,4; Officer 1; Student Council 2,3,4; Merit Medalist 2; Scholastic Honors 1,2,3,4; Auxilium Latinum Award 3; Shield Staff 4; Acolyte 1,2,3,4; Dramatics 3,4; Junior Prom Com. 3; Dance Com. 1,2,3,4.



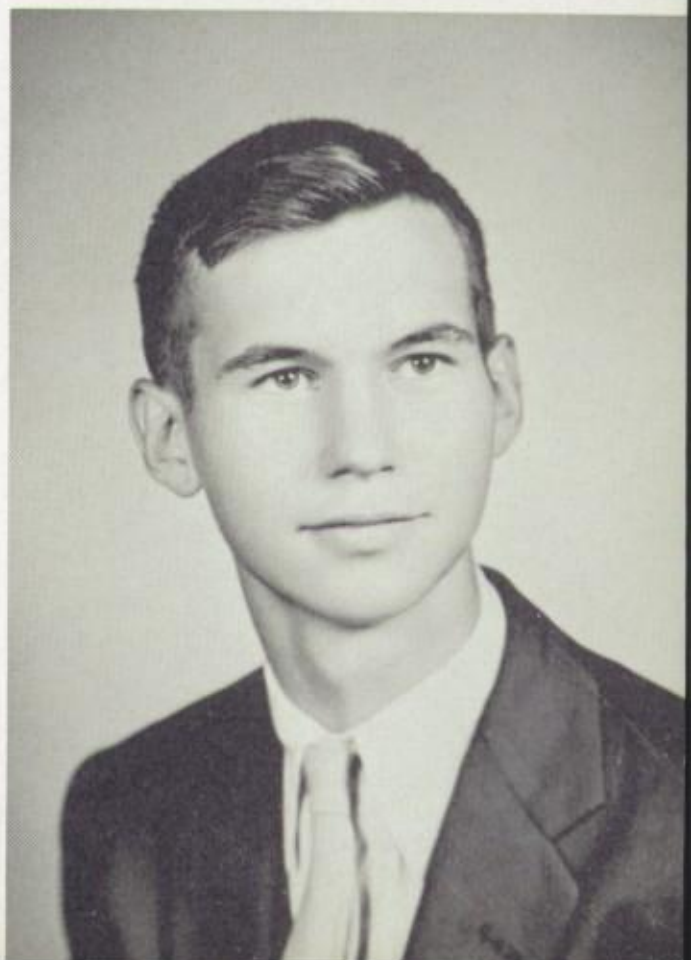
**JERROLD WANNEMACHER**  
Missions 1,2,3,4; Scholastic Honors 2; Band 1,2,4; Orchestra Leader 4; Shield Staff 4; Dramatics 4; Junior Prom Com. 3; Varsity Football 4, Co-Captain 4; Basketball 1,2; Varsity Basketball 3,4; Monogram Club 1,2,3,4.



**KENNETH R. WILLIAMS**  
Missions 1,2,3,4; Officer 2; Merit Student 2; Scholastic Honors 1,2; Acolyte 1,2,3,4; Dramatics 4; Junior Prom Com. 3; Baseball 1,2,3,4.



**EUGENE A. VORST**  
Missions 2,3,4; Dramatics 4; Junior Prom Committee 3; Dance Committee 3,4; Basketball 1; Varsity Football 4; F.F.A. 1,2,3,4; President 3.

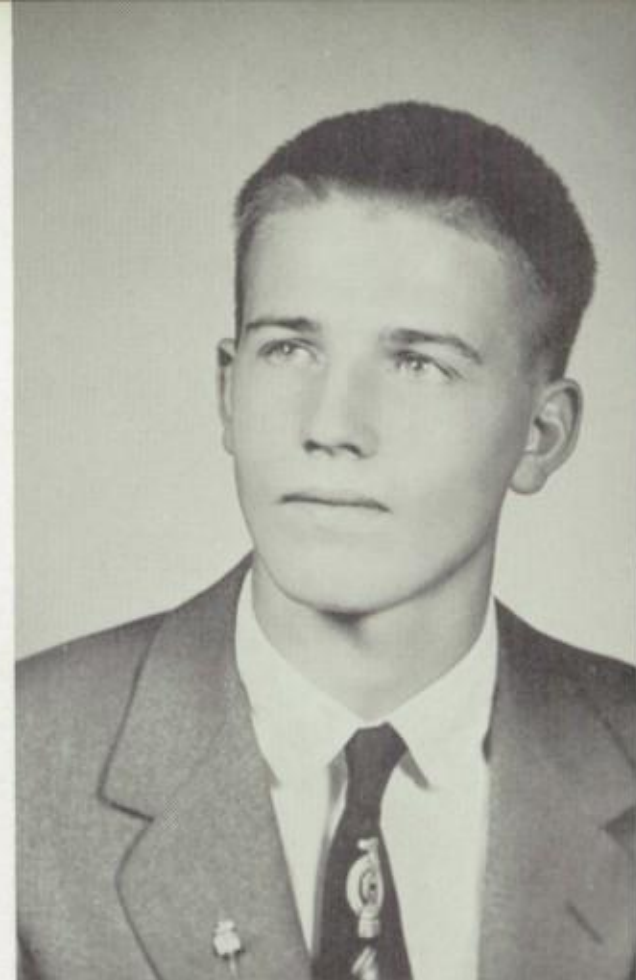


**E. PATRICK WILLIAMS**  
Missions 1,2,3,4; Scholastic Honors 2,3,4; Glee Club 1; Band 1,2,3,4, Officer 4, Uniform Mgr. 4; Acolyte 1,2,3,4; Dramatics 4; Junior Prom Com. 3; Dance Com. 1,2,3,4; Monogram Club 3,4; Varsity Basketball Mgr. 3,4.





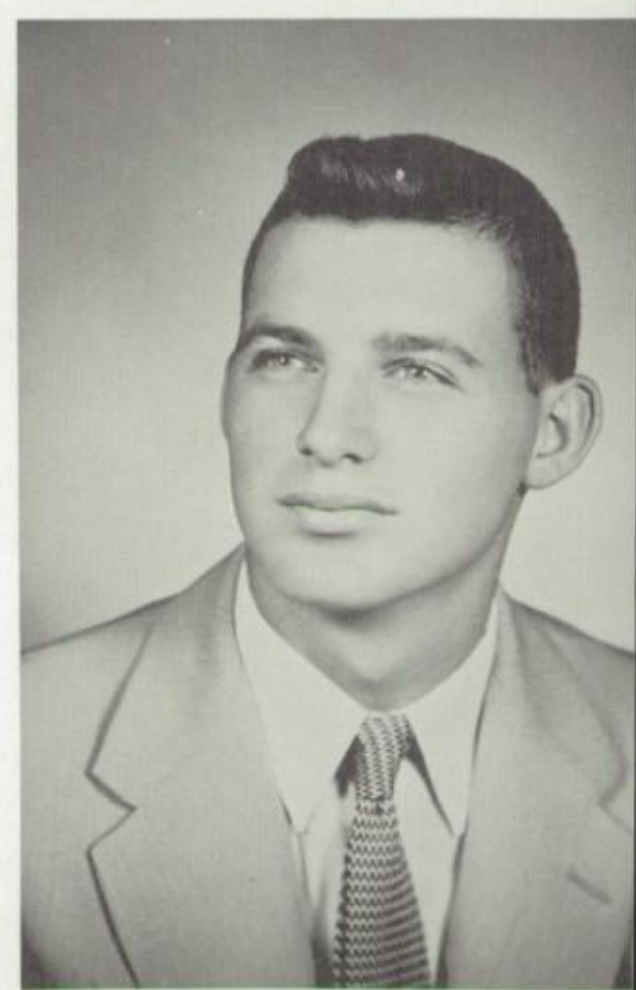
**FRANK N. WILSON**  
Missions 1, 2, 3, 4; Merit Student 1, 3; Dramatics 4; Dance Com. 3, 4; Monogram Club 4; Varsity Football 4.



**ROBERT S. WURST**  
Missions 1, 2, 3, 4; Merit Medalist 1; Scholastic Honors 3; Glee Club 1, 3, 4; Dramatics 4; Junior Prom Committee 3; Dance Committee 4; Varsity Football 4; Monogram Club 4.



**LEO J. WRASMAN**  
Missions 1, 2, 3, 4; F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Officer 3; Dramatics 4; Junior Prom Com. 3; Monogram Club 1, 2; Basketball 1, 2.



**JOSEPH C. YOUNGPETER**  
Missions 1, 2, 3, 4; Officer 1; F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Dramatics 4; Junior Prom Com. 3; Monogram Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Varsity Football 4; Varsity Basketball 2, 3.

## *Senior Class Officers*



Robert Pothast, President of Delphos St. John's Mission Crusade.



Carol Michaeliec, President of Delphos St. John's Student Council.



Richard Schlagbaum, President of the Senior Class of 1956.





# Our Religious Vocations

MARY LOU POHLMAN

ELIZABETH HEITZ



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FIRST

THE KINGDOM  
OF GOD AND HIS  
JUSTICE AND ALL  
THESE THINGS  
SHALL BE ADDED  
UNTO YOU

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OUR CLASSMATES IN RELIGION!

These four classmates have already started on their career -- a complete giving of themselves to God in a Religious Vocation. The first three, Mary Lou Pohlman, Elizabeth Heitz, and Patricia Ricker are in the Notre Dame Novitiate. Gail Himrod is a Professed Novice with the Sisters of St. Dominic, Adrian, Michigan. We are proud of these classmates and ask them to pray for the Class of "56".



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THEE WITH AN  
EVERLASTING  
LOVE

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SISTER ROBERT MIRIAM, O.P.  
formerly Gail Himrod.

PATRICIA RICKER





## Senior

## Home

## Arts

### "FUTURE PARISIAN STYLISTS"

Rosalind Kill, Patricia Robinson, Betty Stant, Nancy Weber, Ruth Martin, Jeanette Carder, Rosemary Gerdeman, Barbara Sickels and Valeta Pothast.



## Senior

## Commercial Classes

**TRANSCRIPTION:** Loud-speaker device on Dictaphone makes possible a project in group dictation from Beverly Bonifas, while the following transcribe together: Carolyn Eggeman and Shirley Klaus (with electric IBM machines) Deanne Weigle, Janice Stahl, Helen Wrocklage, Irene Utrup, and Velma Hempfling.



**BUSY ACCOUNTANTS** strive for Achievemant Award: Helen Wagner, John Reinemeyer, and Carole Friemoth (adding machines and Comptometer) Larry Spieles, Richard Schlagbaum, Patricia Mueller, Phyllis Imber, James Schimmoller, John Imber, Ruth Youngpeter, and Mary Bauldauf.





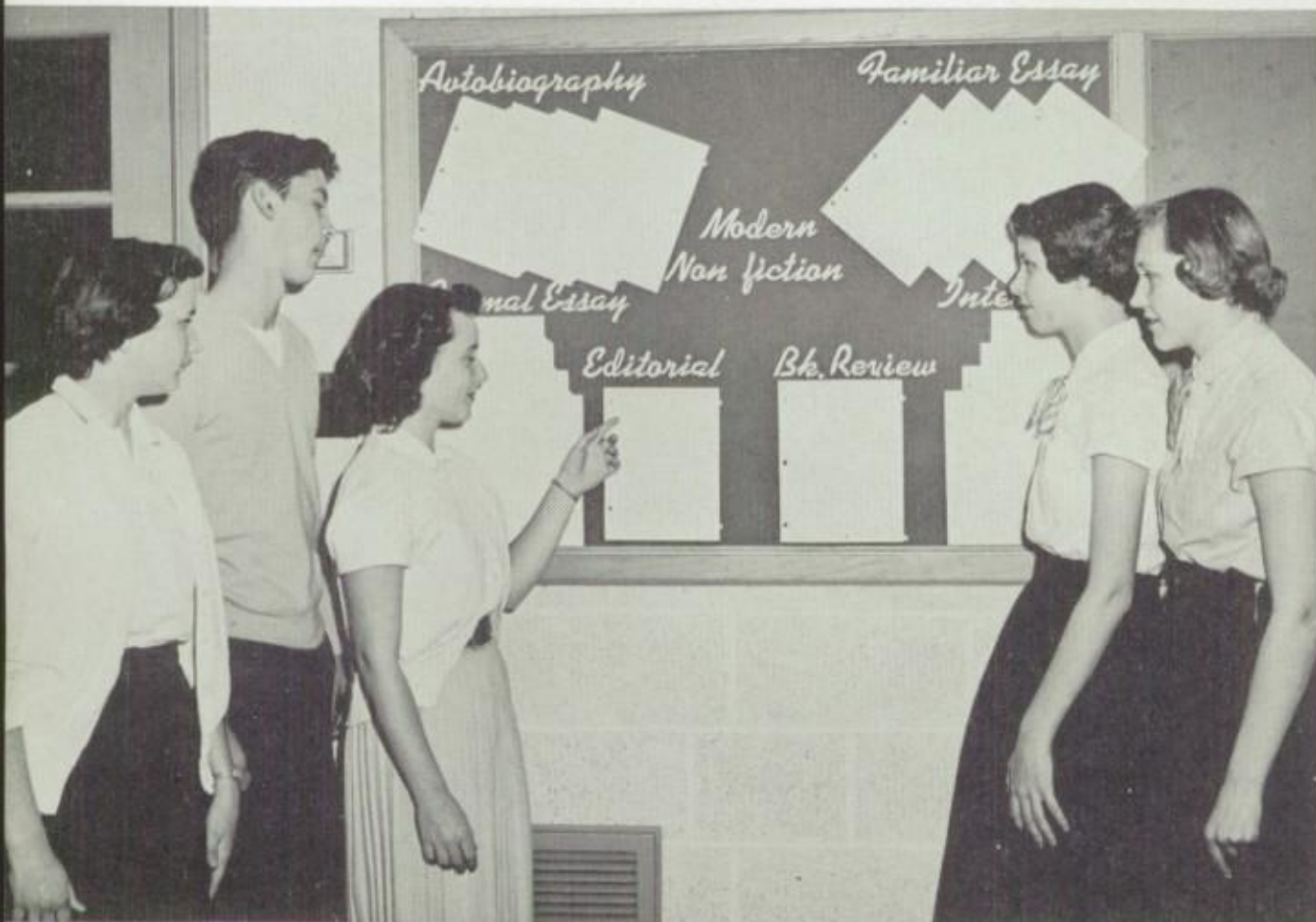


*Underclassmen*



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MARY-LIKE FASHIONS creates the problem in research for: Mary Beth Hanf, Mary Alice Grothaus, Janelle Kroeger, Jeannette Bockey, Sandra Best, and Dorothy Renner.



STUDENTS VIEWING their bulletin board display: Joanne Roberts, Frank Reinemeyer, Marilyn Friedrich, Mary Louise Mueller, and Barbara Carder.

INTERVIEWING CLASSMATES in Junior English: Seated: Ruth Ashby, Carl Luersman, Joyce Burnett, Ruthann Wurst, Kay Wilson, Patricia Kroeger. Standing: Margaret Maloney, and Clifford Rahrig.







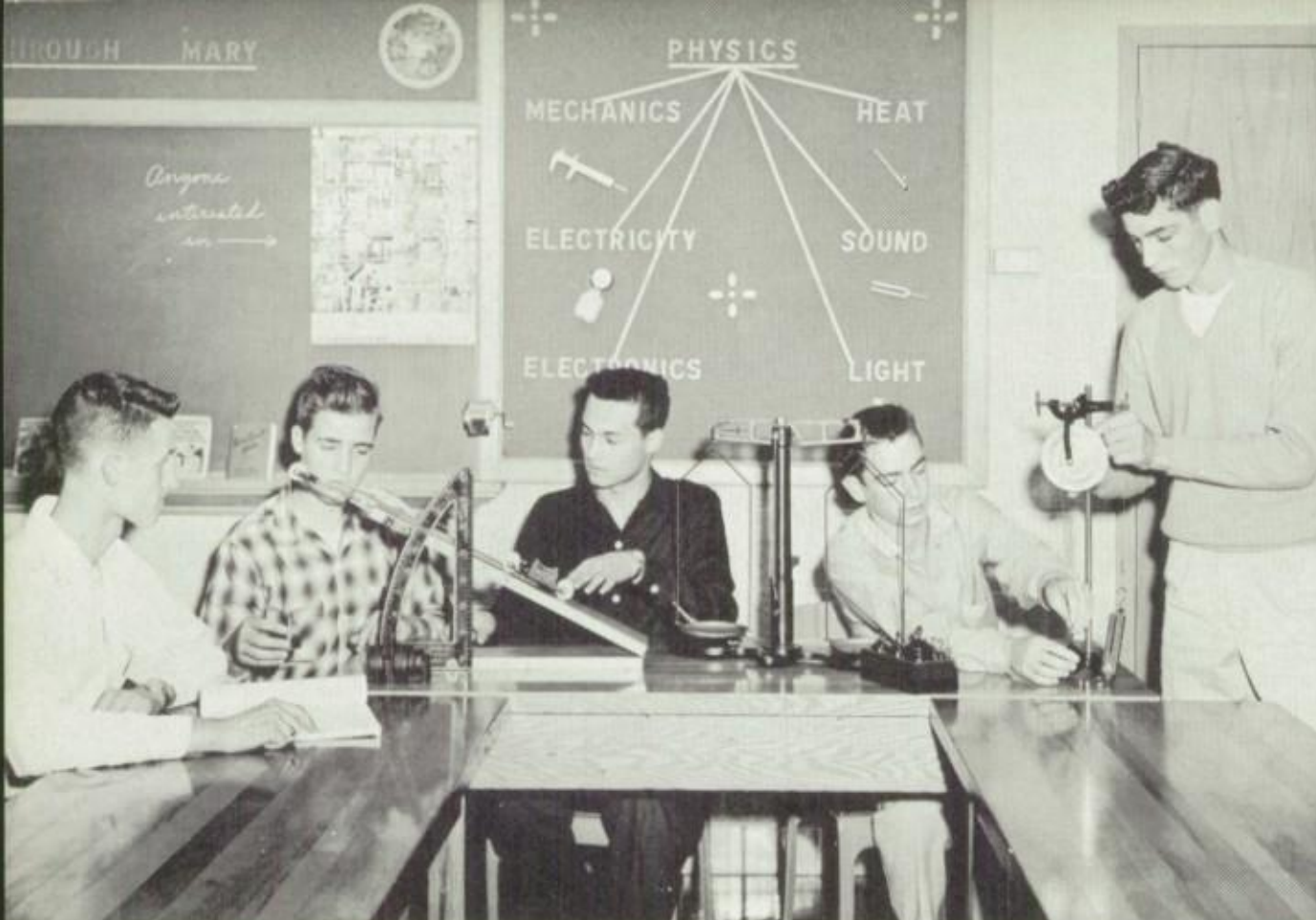
**SHORTHAND CLASS:** Standing: Phyllis Best, Janice Kill, Constance Kill. Seated: Joan Gerde-  
man, LaDonna Rode, and Ruth  
Klausing.

**AMERICAN HISTORY** students dis-  
cuss Admiral R. Byrd's expedition:  
Seated: Joseph Mueller, Eileen  
Fishbach, and Darlene Grothaus.  
Standing: Mary Trentman, Phillip  
Cramer, Virjean Dickman, Jane  
Dickrede, Leon Vorst, and Kenneth  
Blankemeyer.



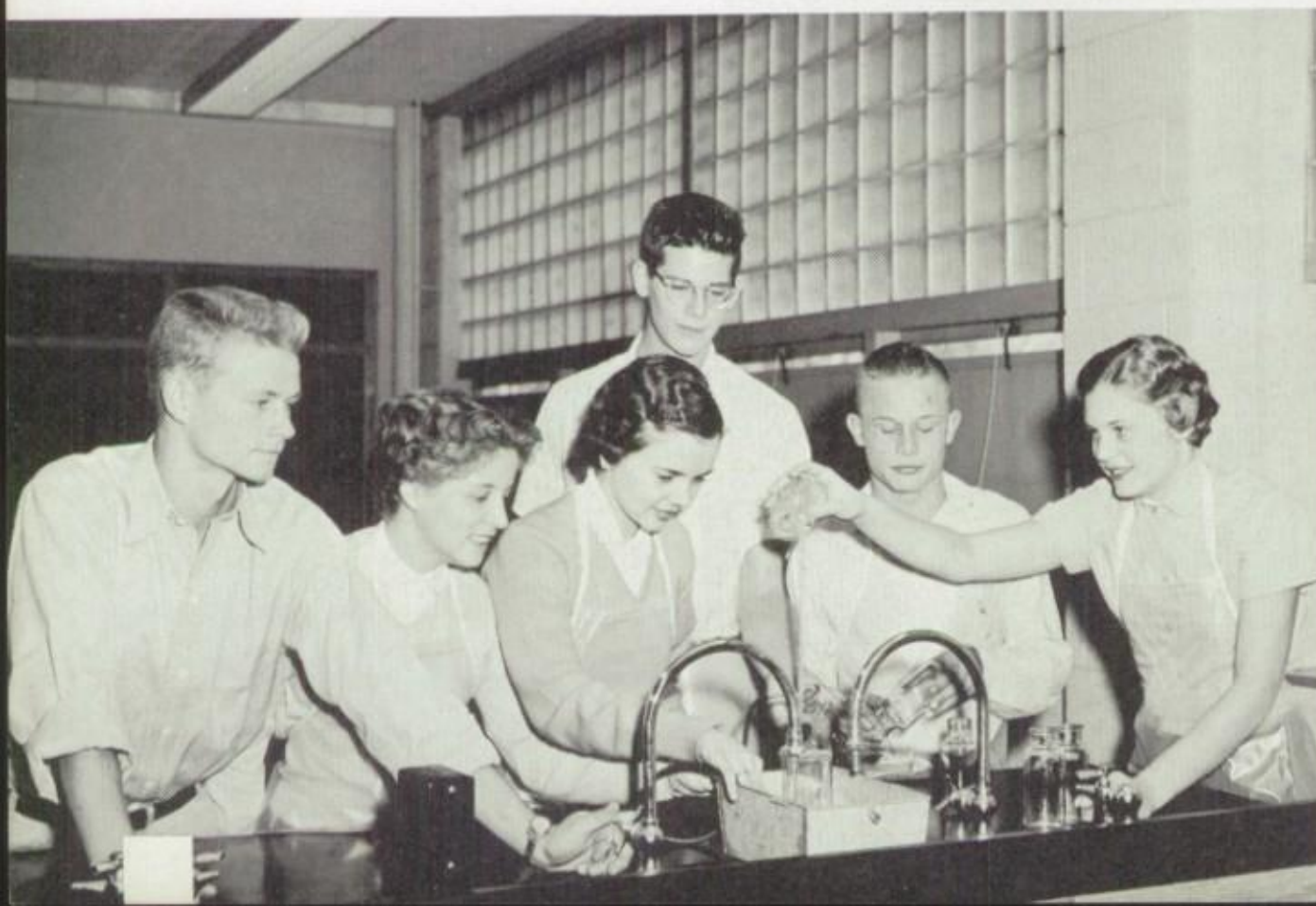
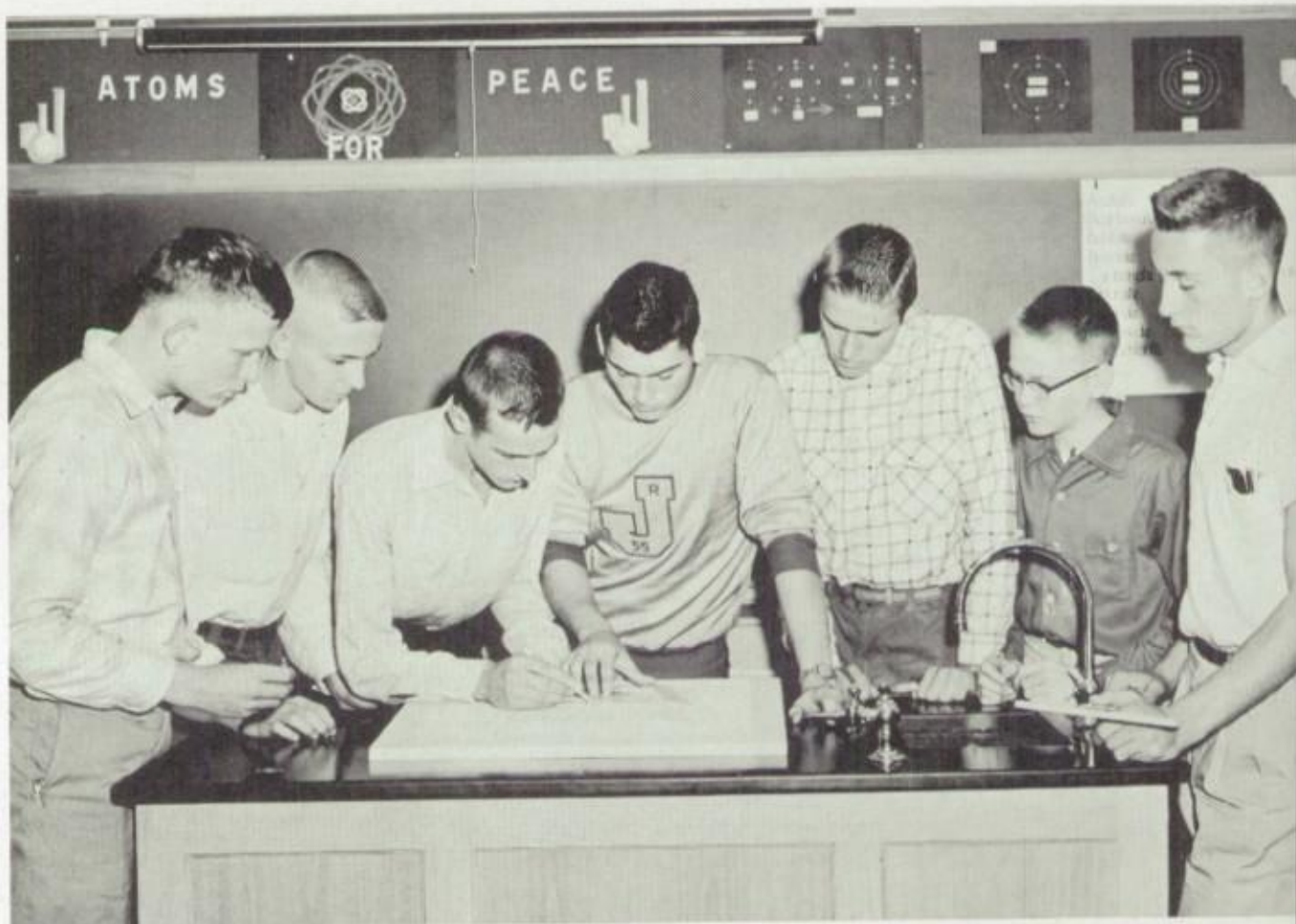
**PANEL DISCUSSION** in Junior  
English Class: Paul Ulrich, Sharon  
Ebbeskotte, Agnes Bonifas, Tonja  
Wiley, and Eugene Haunhorst.





**PRACTICAL PHYSICS** experiment with simple machines: Gerald Fischer, Francis Meyer, William Nomina, David Griffis, and Joseph Ulm.

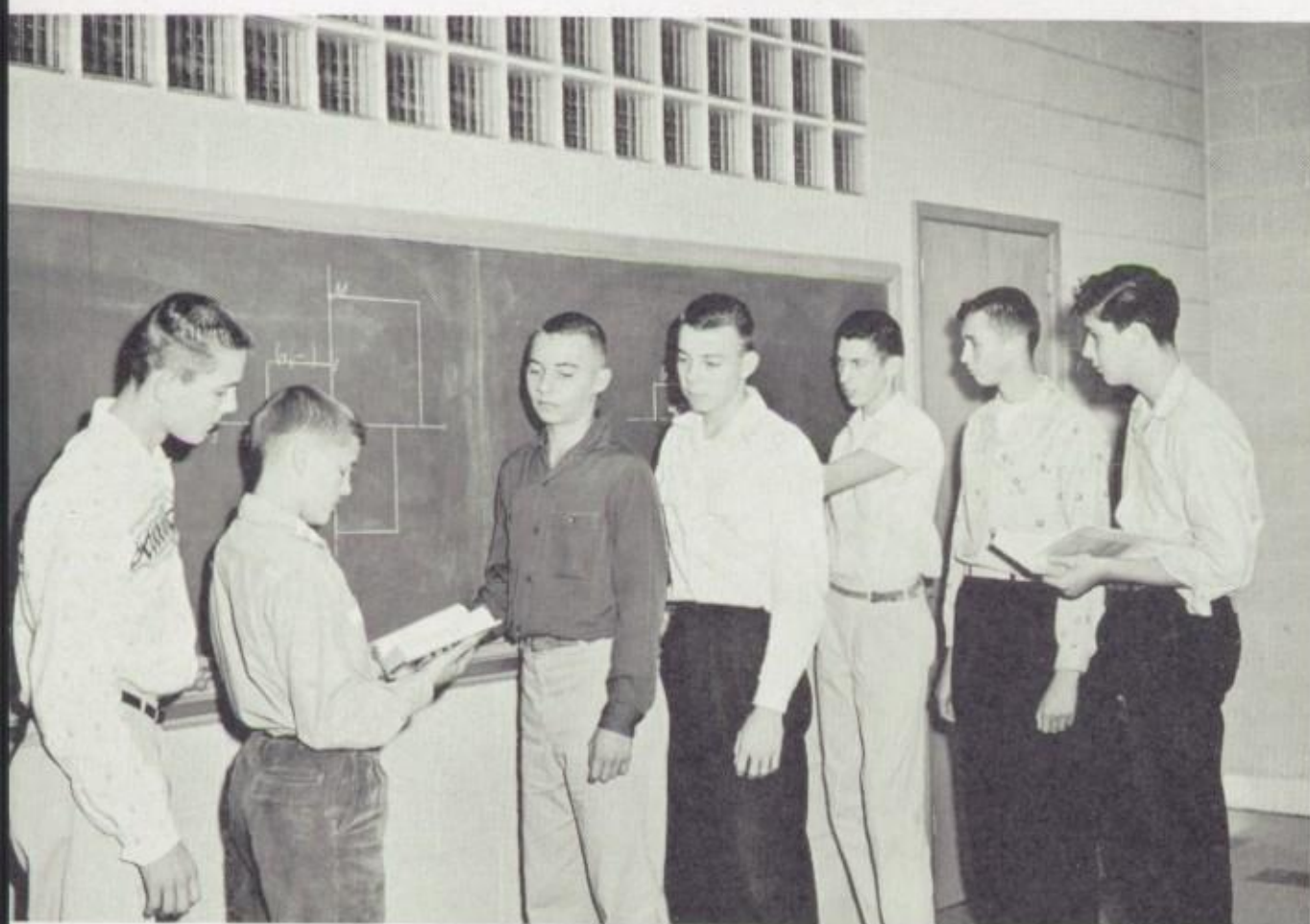
**CHECKING AN ERROR** in Mechanical Drawing: (1/64 inch off!) Kenneth Kundert, James Falke, Eugene Wagner, Richard Vogt, Robert German, Charles Horstman, and Donald Kimmet.



**JUNIOR CHEMISTRY STUDENTS** prepare a gas experiment: Richard Ott, Judy Nagel, Sharon Odenweller, Arthur Mueller, Melvin Warnecke, and Martha Wiecher.

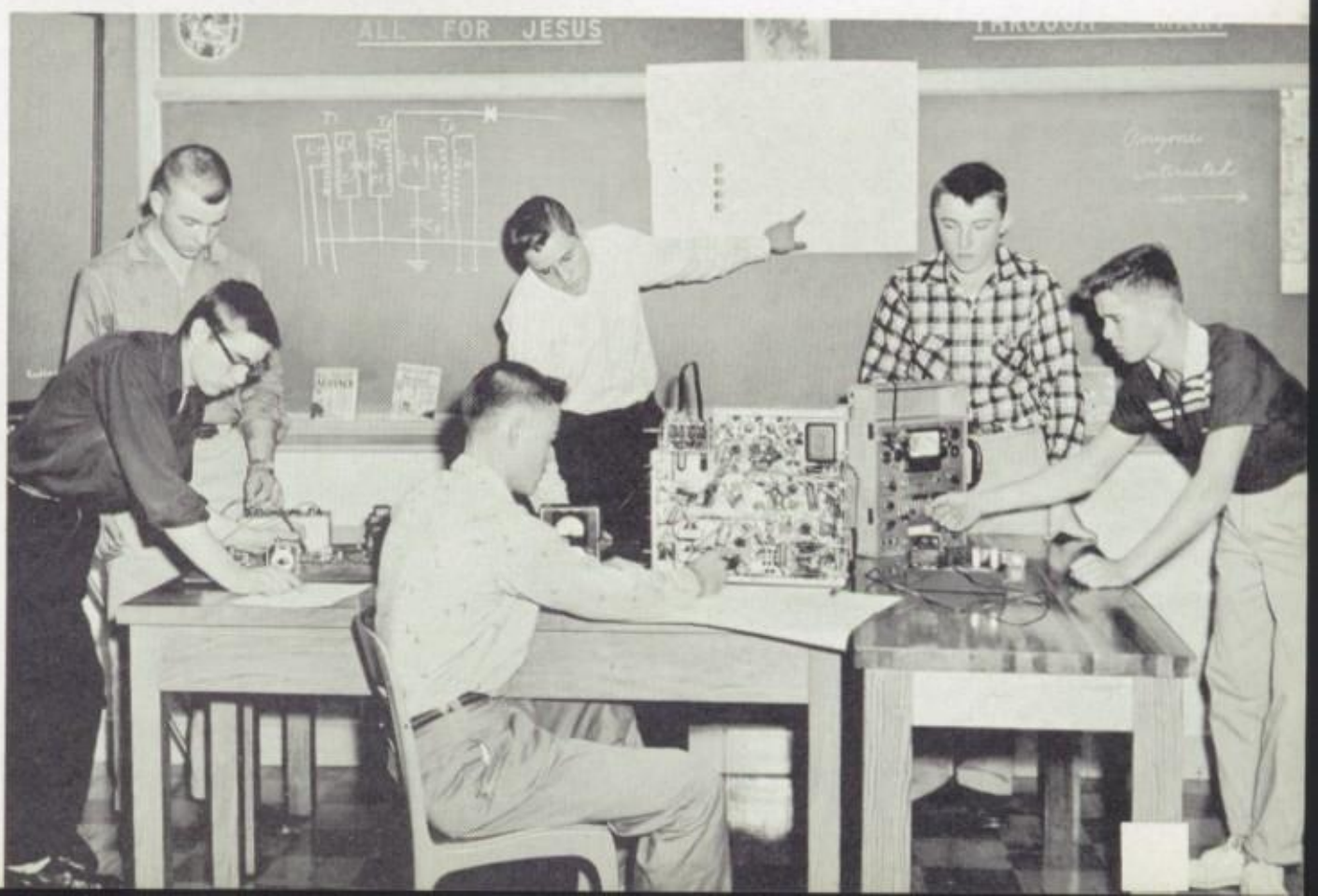


GROUP DISCUSSION HELD to study Bishop Sheen's "Equity and Equality," or "Emancipation of Women." Discussion Leader: Joyce Bracker; Secretary: Karla Lisk; Left to right: Norman Osting, Karla Lisk, Dorothy Albright, Joyce Bracker, LeRoy Paulson, Thomas Hempfing, Marilyn Kroeger.



PREPARING FOR GRAPHS in Advanced Algebra: Gerald Vondran, Thomas Wrocklage, James Spieles, Paul Hammond, Kenneth Buettner, Roger Gladen, and Stanford Wiechart.

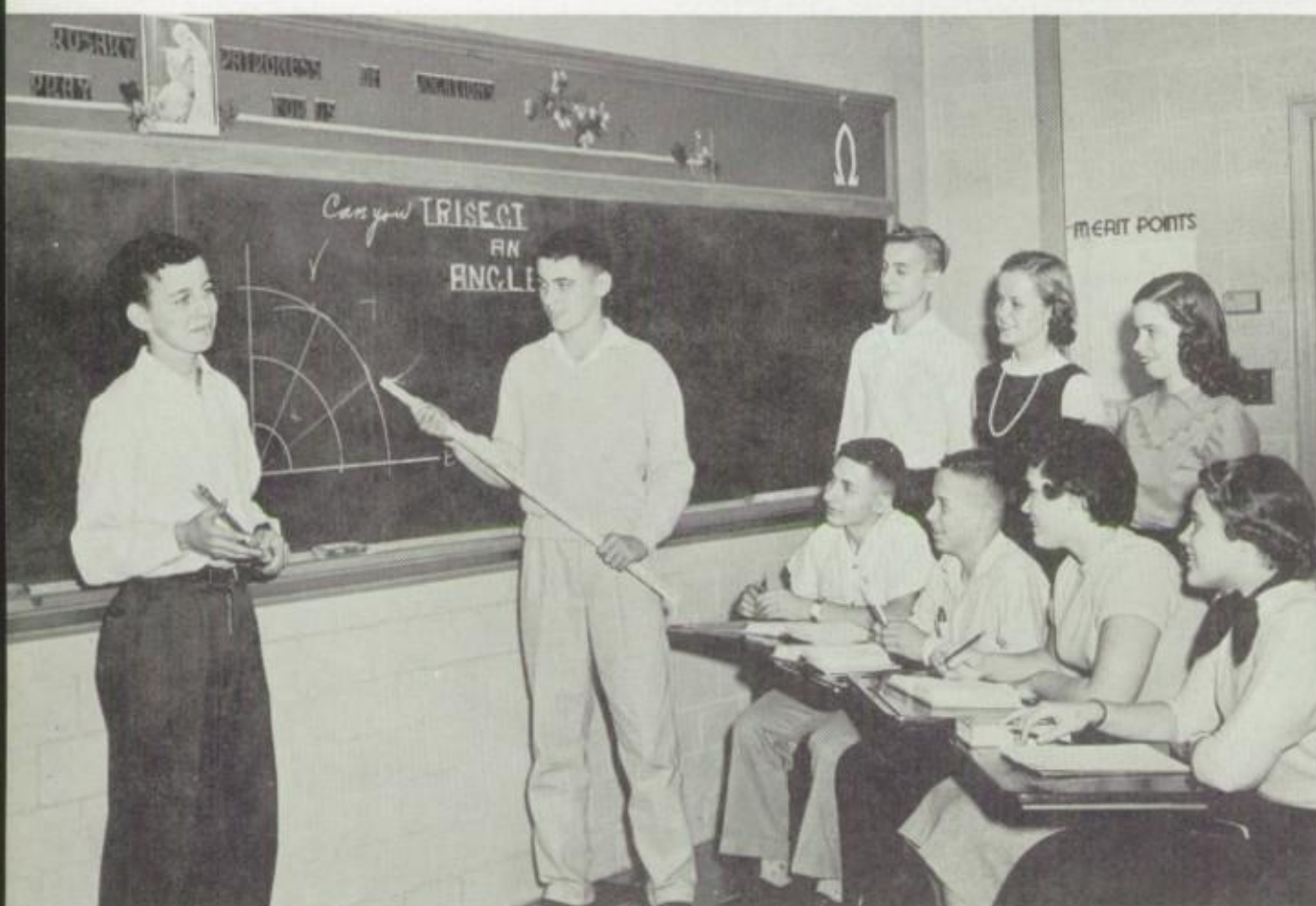
RADIO CLASS reading voltage in receiver constructed by students: Melvin Heitz, Anthony Schwinnen, Roger Stant, John Bonifas, Ralph Trentman, and Thomas Carder.





# Sophomores

"APPLIED GEOMETRY": Robert Weisgerber, Larry Holden, William Kroeger, Ronald Ulm, Frances Beecher, Thomas Bridges, Charles Lauser, Valeta Wiechart, James Kundert, and Donald Hall.



PLANE GEOMETRY Students: (It didn't work!) Robert Kaverman, Timothy McKowen. Row 1: James Powell, Richard Lause, Joyce Illig, Carolyn Himrod. Row 2: David Mueller, Leann Weger, and Patricia Rahrig.

Catherine Renner leads concert rhythm drill on high frequency words in TYPING. Row 1: Catherine Renner, James Klaus, Sharon Rekart, Thomas Meyers, Frank Williams. Row 2: Loretta Wienken, Carol Baldauf, William Schmersal, Norman Buettner. Row 3: Mary Jo Horstman, George Kimmet, Robert Allemeier, and John Gengler.







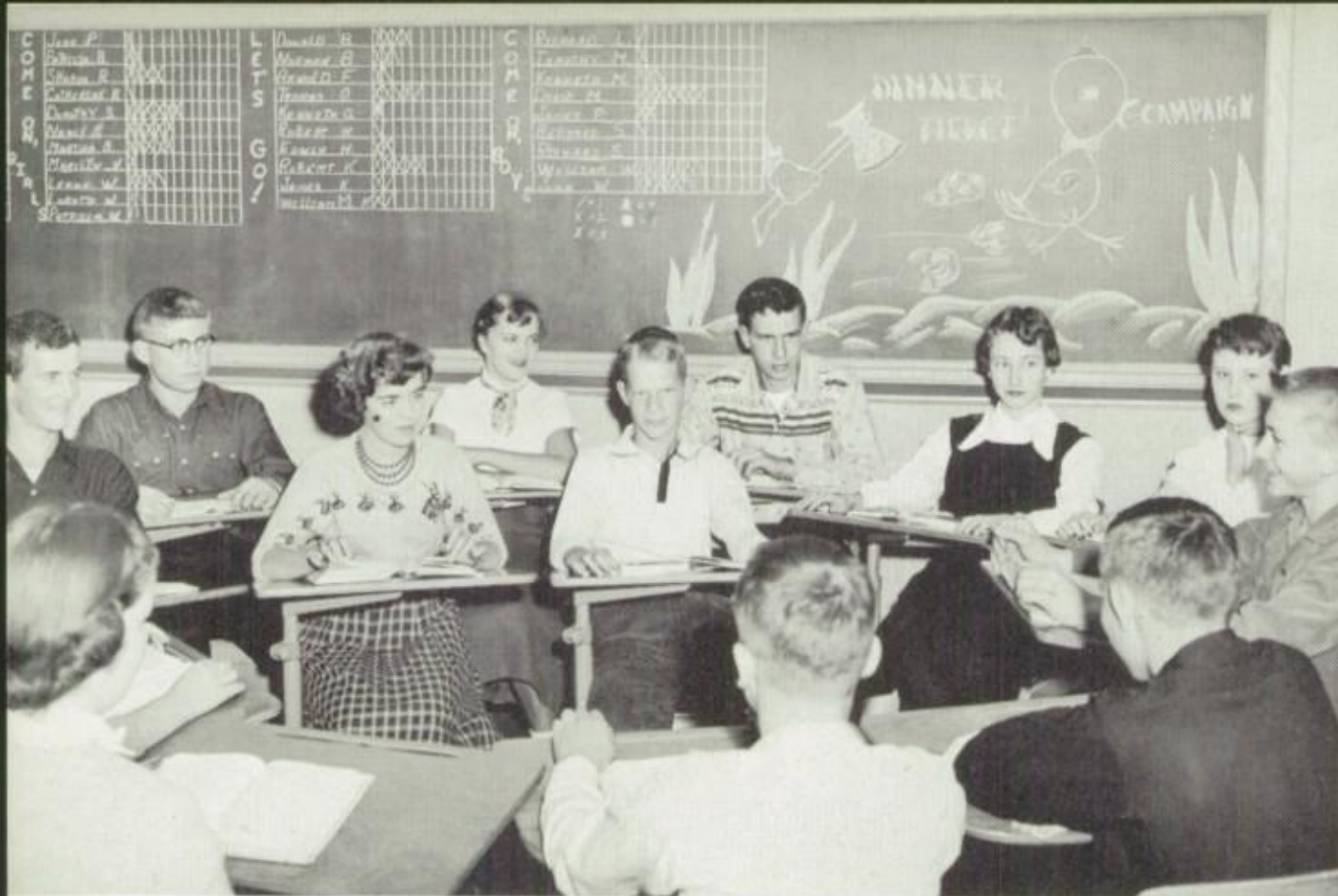
"JUST POSING"-- Irma Dickrede, Diana Brickner, Mary Lou Renner, Nancy Smith, Richard Dukes, Darla Wannemacher. Louis Hotz, Tom Stant, and Melvin Nomina.

WORLD HISTORY STUDENTS take time out from a "Know-My-Name" contest: Standing: Jane Pohlman. Row 1: John Grothaus, Sharon Pot-hast, Diane Ellerbrock, Barbara Otte. Row 2: Angela Renner, Doris Stant, and John Minning.



GRACE IN PICTURES: Standing, Father Albert Ottenweller, Thomas Gorden, Robert Hoffman. Seated: Arnold Fischer, Martha Suever, Helen Lause, William Wiegler, Nancy Stallkamp, Cheryl Drukemiller, Janice Mueller, and Kenneth Grot-haus.





SOPHOMORE ENGLISH STUDENTS find the short story an opportunity for testing the depth of their thinking: Richard Suever, Bernard Schwinnen, Nioma Kortokrax, Patricia Wrocklage, Edwin Holdgreve, Kenneth Miller, Margaret Brinkman, Martha Suever, and William Kroeger.

OUR BUDDING BIOLOGISTS: Janice Meyers, Mary Elaine Kunderdt, Judy Robison, Joan Siefker, Pat Kimmet, Becky Thitoff, Denelda Carder, Helen Grone.

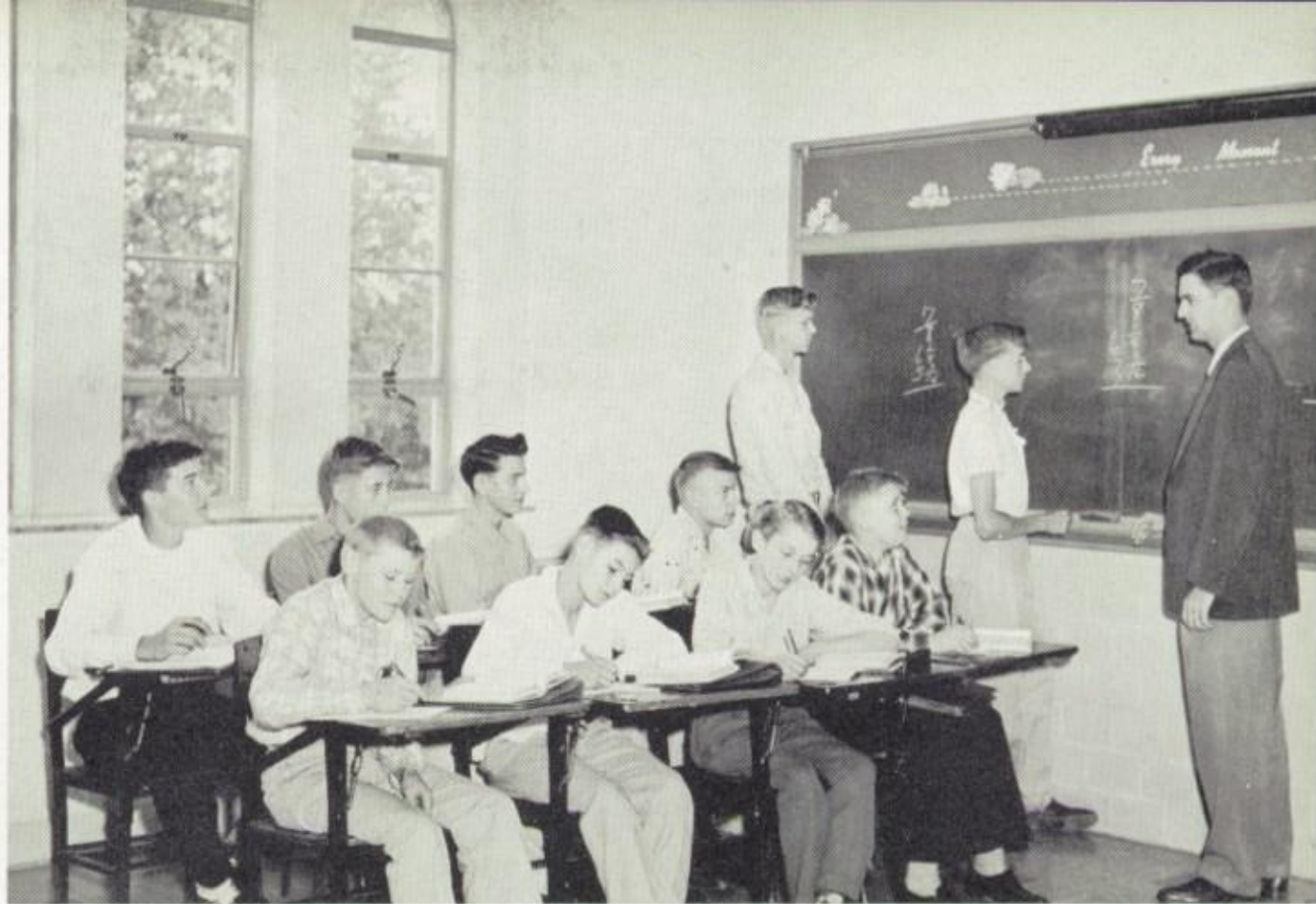


SOPHOMORE LATIN STUDENTS discover Julius Caesar's Commentaries are a challenge for student initiative: Sandra Patthoff, James Powell, Margaret Cross, Donald Baldauf, John Wellman, Jean Pothast, Marjorie Fischer, Dorothy Schwertner.



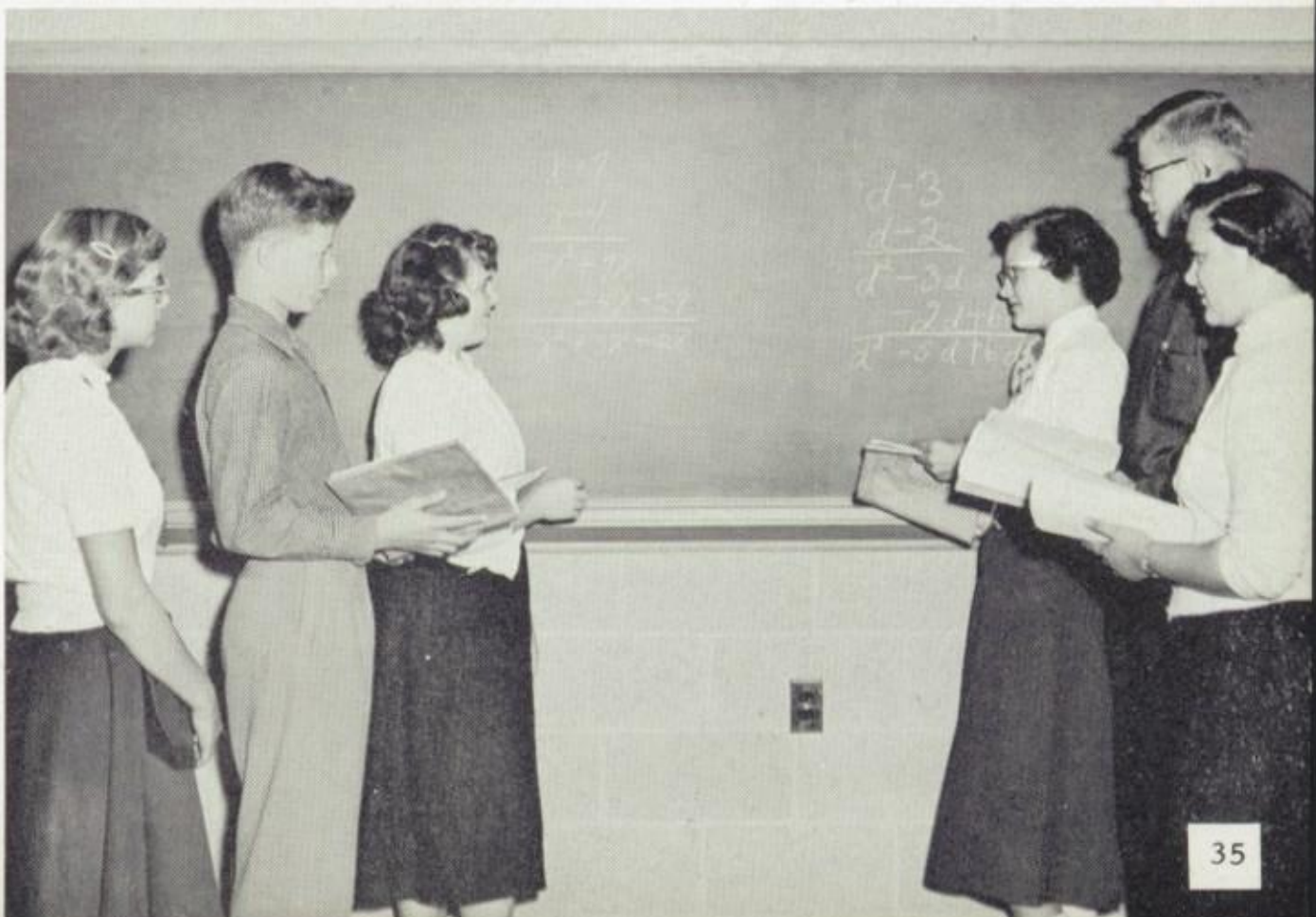
# Freshmen

COACH ARNZEN and his budding General Math students: Seated Rear: Howard Klaus, Jack Ulrich, Henry Ricker. Front: Roger Osting, Larry Cramer, Robert Martin, Don Schimmoeller. At Board: James Freund and Eugene Vogt ---- Mr. Arnzen.



FRESHMEN HOME ARTS Class prepares a delicious lunch: Lois Hesseling, Patricia Klier, Norma Haunhorst, Margaret Trentman, Marjorie Bockey, and Helen Hammond.

ALGEBRA IS NOT SO DIFFICULT! Judy Rode, Lewis Hesseling, Patricia Knebel, Carol Haunhorst, Ronald Alspaugh, and Norma Shumaker.

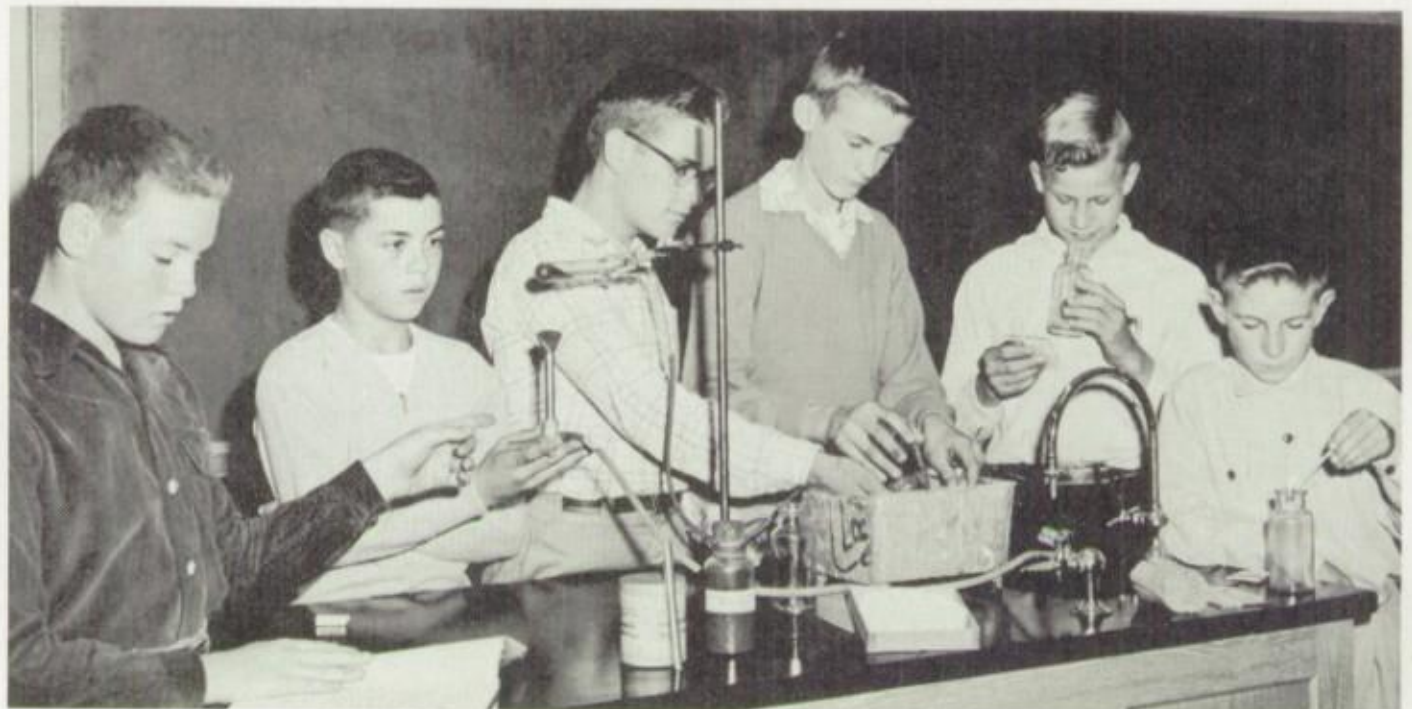






Freshmen of Room 11 DISCUSS RELIGION PROBLEMS. Standing: Charles Ashby, Carol Lause, Robert Siefker, and Philip Fetzer. Seated: Joan Mueller, Donald Wurst, Donald Imber, Arlene Rode, and William Meyers.

PREPARING OXYGEN and studying its properties entice these Freshmen General Science students: Norbert Suever, Theodore Spieles, Paul Meyer, Melvin Wagner, Robert Freund, George Schwinnen.



ENGLISH CAN BE FUN: Freshmen of Room 16: Standing: Carole Spieles, Paul Grothouse, Teresa Kaverman, Tom Nomina, and Dianne Fought. Seated: Anthony Stepleton, Thomas Gerdeman, Marcia Ditto, and Nancy Miller.



SELECTING GOOD BOOKS FOR RETREAT:





**RELIGION CLASS** is Character building period: Seated: Anna Youngpeter, Mary Hempfling, Robert Burger, Marlene Dietering, Phyllis Fetzer, Kathryn Granger. Standing: Robert Etzkorn, Kenneth Wurst, Darlene Wiechart, Janice Lause, Robert Renner, James Fortener.

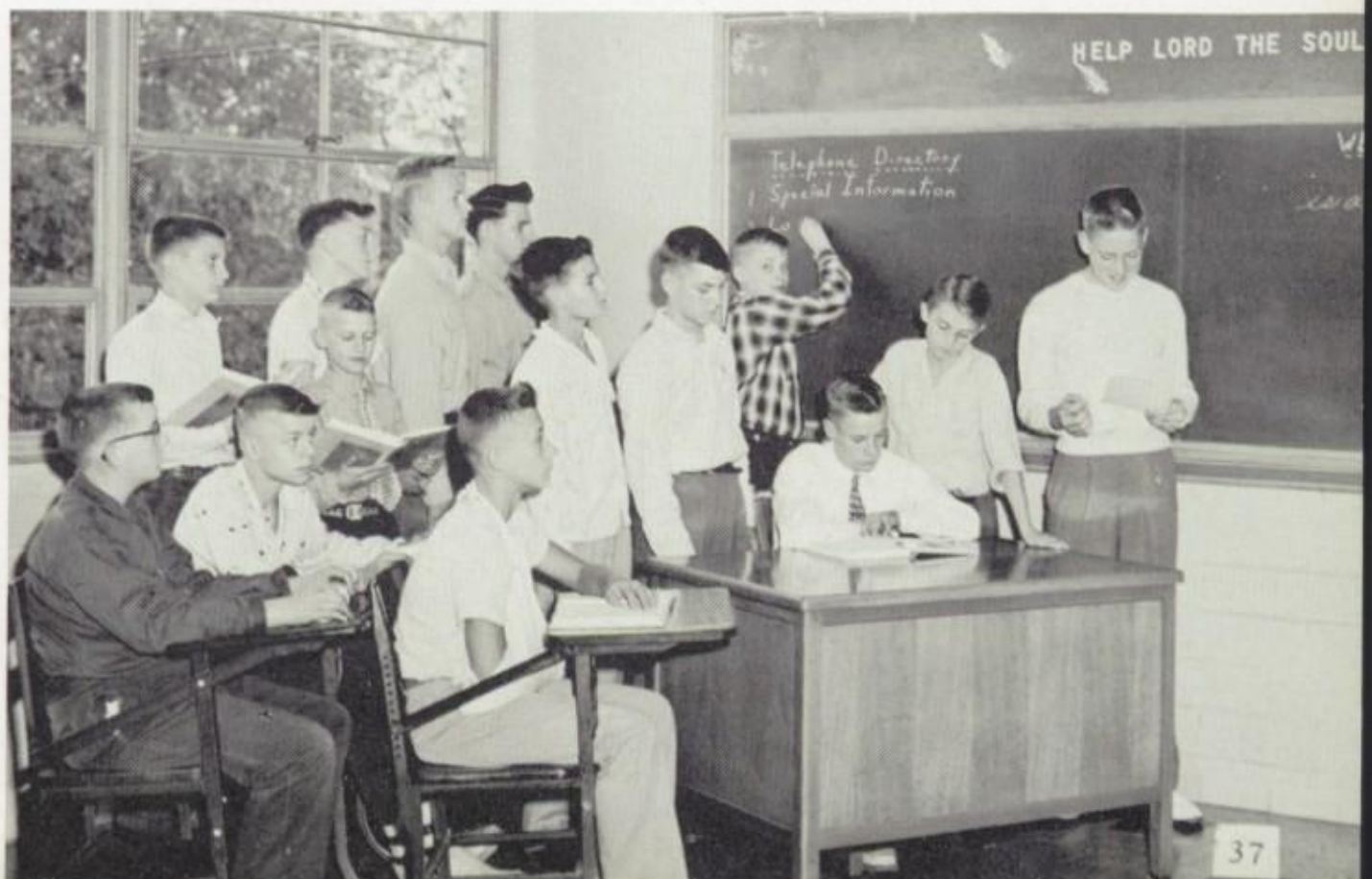


**DRILLING ON PREPOSITIONS** in Latin: Front: Anna Youngpeter, Kenneth Noonan, Patricia Kill, Robert Burger. Standing: Richard Scherger, Janice Wanamaker, Judith Reinemeyer, Judith Moenter, Mary Jane Holdgrave, Daniel Mueller, Norlyne Grewe, and Marilyn Vondran.

Seated: Mary Kay Swift, Vivian Bonifas. Standing: Charles Korb.



**THE STUDY OF DIRECTORIES** and Report, in General Business: Seated: Alan Goergens, Donald Warnecke, Gerry Allen, Willard Stant. Standing Front: Thomas Warnecke, Lawrence Cramer, Kenneth Kaverman, Donald Schimmoeller, Robert Martin, Darrell Wiegung. Back: William Meyers, Eugene Vogt, Arnold Fischer, and Henry Ricker.







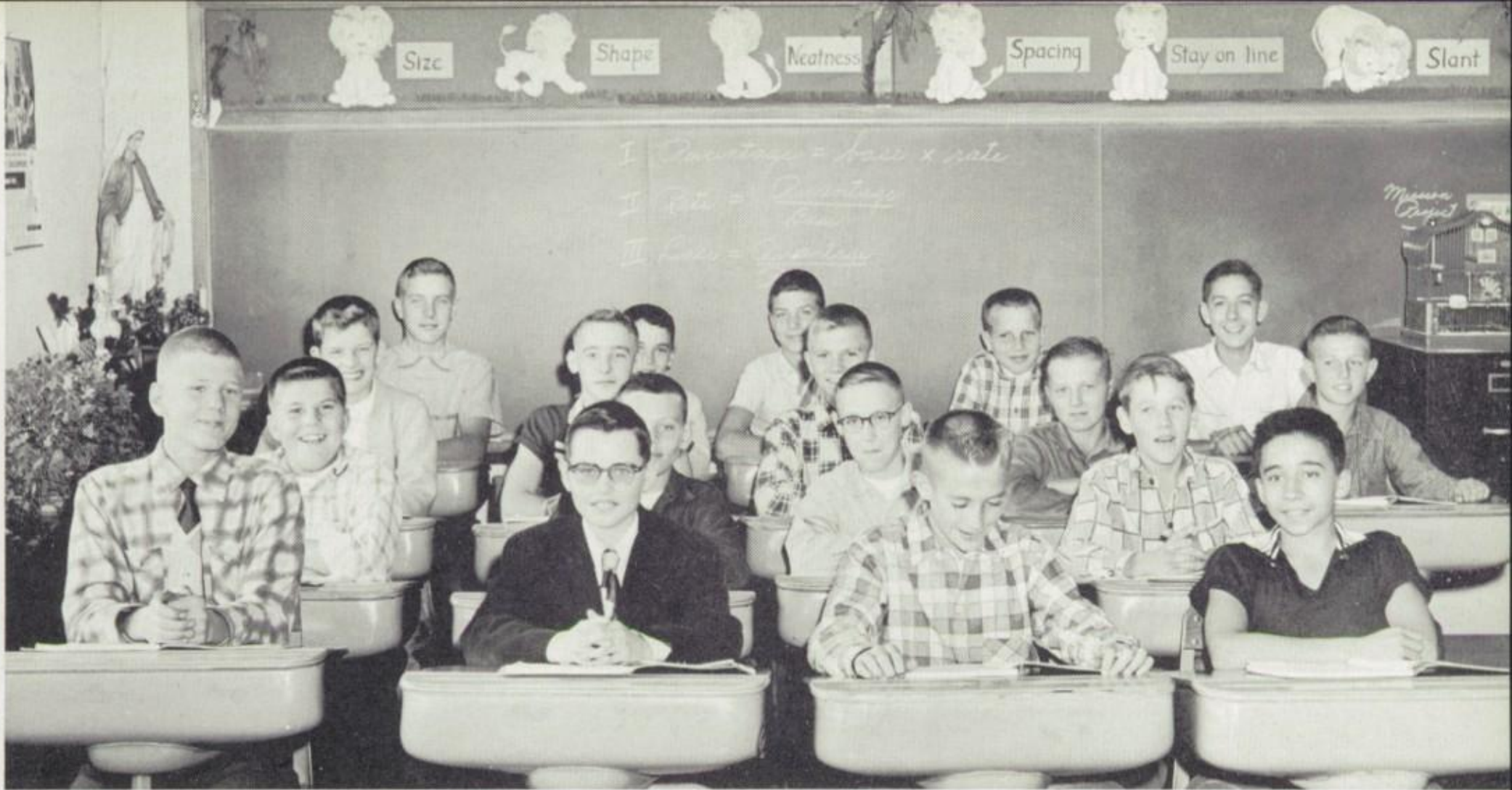
ABOVE: First Row: Janice Hoersten, Carol Brickner, Joyce Kill, Mary Grone, Thomas Schimmoller, Robert Thitoff, and Eugene Lause. Second Row: Rosella Vogt, Donald Smith, Stanley Carder, Thomas Knebel, Kenneth Hempfling, Marcia Altman, and Linda Westrich.

## *Next Year's*

BELOW: First Row, (near board): Barbara Pohlman, Ralph Lauser, Alfred Seffernick, Donald Korb, Hubert Roberts, Robert Lause, James Reuille. Second Row: Stanley Backus, Michael Meyer, Anthony Schmidt, Jan Odenweller, Elizabeth Beecher, Paulette King, Margie Horstman. Third Row: George Cross, Gary Schimmoeller, Carolyn Kehres, Marylee Powell, Carol Wanamaker, Thomas Gerdeman, Alice Ashby. Fourth Row: Nicholas Yochum, James Williams, Melba Allen, George Imber, Vincent Ebbescotte, Joyce Robison, Barbara Patthoff.







ABOVE: First Row: Kenneth Vogt, Larry Rupert, William Lauf, Lewis Lause. Second Row: Robert Drewyore, Irvin Baldauf, Fred Wiecher, Gerald Siefker. Third Row: Ronald Pohlman, Stephen Grone, Thomas Kroeger, Carl Kortokrax, Raymond Eggeman. Fourth Row: Alfred Pohlman, Terry Odenweller, Ronald Noonan, Norman Fischer, Allyn Wiechart.

## Freshmen

BELOW: First Row: Mary Lou Smith, Therese Kimmert, Sue Minnig, Joyce Schmersal, Carolee Johnson, Marilyn Wagner. Second Row: Arlene Baldauf, Joyce Wittler, Ann Holden, Patricia Van Oss, Patricia Pugsley, Frances Albright. Third Row: Lynn Griffis, Louanne Klausing, Rita Wallace, Carolyn Gerschutz, Judy Dean, Fritzie Kollsmith. Fourth Row: Bridget Rentz, Theresa Hickey, Karen Murray, Betty Horstman, Mary Kay Weigle, Ruth Ann Bockey.







LANDECK ST. JOHN'S contribution to next year's Freshmen class are: Ralph Mueller, Urban Shumaker, Carl Miller, Anna Marie Mueller, Rita Etzkorn, Daniel Rode, Ronald Rode, Rosella Wienken, Virginia Kimmet, Margaret Knebel, Robert Gengler, David Etzkorn, Colletta Wrasman, Sheila Rahrig, Edward Klaus, and their pastor, Father Knoepfle.



## Senior Awards

St. John's "VOICE OF DEMOCRACY" contest winner, Richard Schlagbaum, receives his award, a U. S. Savings Bond from Father Herr. Runners-Up offering their congratulations are: Larry Spieles and Jack Imber. Looking on are Mr. Leonard Beckman and Paul Ricker of the Delphos Junior Chamber of Commerce, the sponsors of the event.

MECHANICAL DRAWING AWARD winners inspecting the high points of a drawing are: William Buschor, four blue ribbons; Gilbert Pohlman, the white ribbon; John Sheeter the red ribbon; Jack Reinemeyer, two red ribbons, and Ronald Falter two blue ribbons, and three red ribbons.







*Organizations*





## The St. John's Mission Unit

The Delphos St. John's Unit of the CATHOLIC STUDENTS MISSION CRUSADE has charge of the Spiritual Activities at St. John's. Prayer, study, and sacrifice constitute the mission work. Robert Pothast, a Senior, is President; Phyllis Best, a Junior, is Vice-President. Each homeroom has two Mission representatives who make up the board in charge of activities.

TRIDUUM FOR VOCATIONS is sponsored by "Mission Unit": Junior and Senior representatives and officers, Left to right: Anthony Schwinnen, Virgean Dickman, Deanne Weigle, Richard Vogt, Robert Potast, President, William Buschor, Beverly Bonifas, Sharon Odenweller, and John Reinemeyer.



Freshman representatives are planning to SELL CONCESSIONS at the next game. Left to right: Robert Burger, Margaret Wrasman, Richard Merschman, and Patricia Kill.



MISSION MAGAZINES should find a place in our reading program. Sophomore representatives, Left to Right: Robert Weisgerber, Darla Wannemacher, Marilyn Vorst, and John Wellmann.



# The St. John's Student Council

DELPHOS ST. JOHN'S student council is in charge of extra-curricular activities. Carol Michalec senior, is president and Leon Vorst junior, is vice-president. To the right: President Michalec, Vice-president Vorst and the seniors are checking the returns in the basketball campaign. They are being assisted by Roger Odenweller, junior representative, Ronald Falter and Mary Catherine Vogt, senior representatives.



PLANNING DANCES is a project of the Student Council. Charles Lauser and Sandra Patthoff, Sophomores, are in charge of this meeting for arrangement of committees. Seated are Judith Moenter, Richard Scherger, David Mueller, Frances Beecher, Thomas Weisgerber, and Ann Marie Weisgerber.

GERALD FISCHER CONGRATULATES David Weisgerber, representative of Sister Mary Madeline's Senior Class, Winners in the Dinner Ticket Campaign. Jane Hempfling, Marilyn Friedrich, and Judy Nagel are happy over the success of the campaign.





# St. John's Altar Boys



GRADUATING ALTAR BOYS (left above): L. Spieles, R. Falter, W. Buschor, P. Ebbeskotte, P. Williams, A. Goergens, D. Weisgerber, R. Schlagbaum, J. Sheeter, J. Reinemeyer, O. Elwer, J. Imber, K. Williams. JUNIOR ALTAR BOYS (right above): A. Mueller, R. Gladen, T. Hempfling, T. Wrocklage, R. German.

## FRESHMEN AND SOPHOMORE ALTAR BOYS

(below): J. Fortener, R. Burger, A. Goergens, R. Scherger, K. Kaverman, L. Cramer, W. Meyers, A. Stepleton, D. Mueller, C. Ashby, T. Spieles, G. Schwinnen, R. Weisgerber, C. Korb, W. Schmursal, T. Weisgerber, R. Hoffman, W. Weigle, M. Nomina, L. Holden, J. Wellmann, A. Fischer, T. McKowen, R. Merschman, D. Imber, D. Mueller, C. Lauser, R. Renner, and T. Nomina.







*St.  
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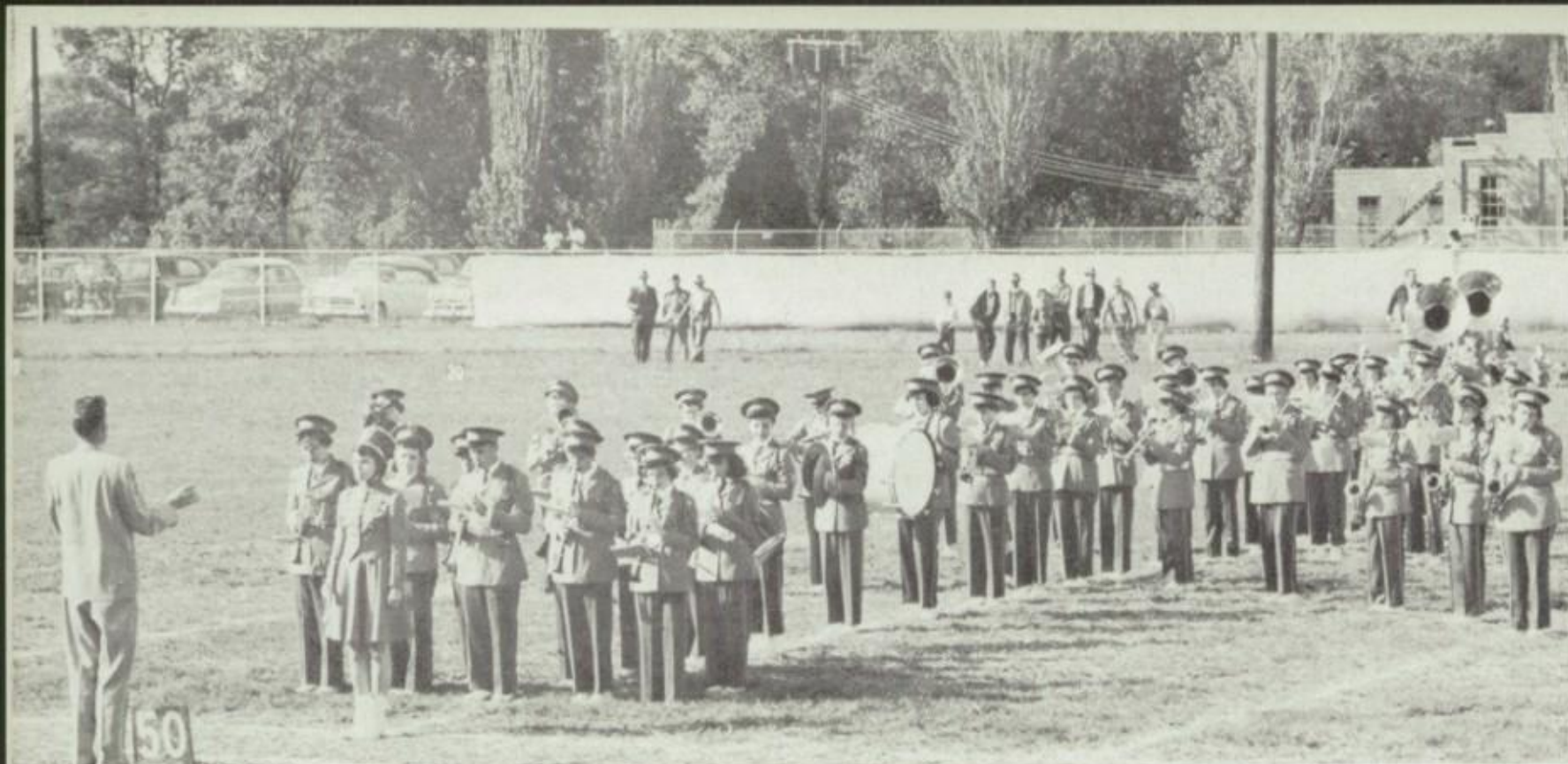
SENIOR MEMBERS of the Glee Club rehearse: R. GERDEMAN, R. Ashby, R. Martin. C. NOMINA, V. Hempfling. B. STANT, J. Carder, and P. Robison.

PIANIST, CAROL MICHALEC, a Senior, the Glee Club accompanist for three years and M. Kroeger, A. Grothaus, D. Renner, P. Kroeger, and K. Wilson.

SIXTY-ONE VOICES praise the Lord at High Mass each month: V. DICKMAN, D. Stant, M. Suever, B. Otte, T. Kaverman, M. Ditto, P. Klier, N. Miller, N. Smith. R. ASHBY, N. Kortokrax, P. Knebel, J. Lause, J. Rode, A. Youngpeter, C. Druckemiller, S. Ebbeskotte. M. HANF, N. Grewe, J. Wanamaker, E. Fishbach, V. Hempfling, R. Martin, P. Kill, D. Wannemacher. P. KROEGER, T. Wiley, S. Best, B. Carder, N. Haunhorst, J. Mueller, C. Haunhorst, J. Burnett. J. KROEGER, M. Kroeger, R. Gerdeman, B. Stant, A. Grothaus, M. Trentman, J. Dickrede, D. Renner, M. Brinkman. R. ASHBY, J. Pohlman, I. Dickrede, M. Cross, D. Grothaus, M. Maloney, J. Bockey, H. Lause. L. HESSELING, A. Rode, C. Wilson, D. Fought, C. Spieles, C. Michalec, C. Nomina, J. Carder, P. Robison, and K. Wilson.







ST. JOHN'S  
Band at Tiffin  
Calvert game.

The SENIOR BAND is composed of: Majorettes from left to right: J. Meyers, D. Wannemacher, C. Druckemiller, N. Stallkamp, S. Rekart, S. Pathoff, M. Brinkman, L. Weger. 2nd Row: D. Wiechart, N. Shumaker, V. Wiechart, C. Kill, B. Sickles, N. Lause, Drum Majorette: A. Shumaker, C. Renner, J. Gerdeman, C. Lause, M. Wurst, L. Westrich, M. Grone. 3rd Row: F. Kollsmith, N. Buettner, A. Stepleton, P. Williams, R. Gladen, V.

## *Delphos St. John's*







ST. JOHN'S  
BAND In Ac-  
tion at Spring-  
field Catholic  
game.



Pothast, J. Kill, P. King, M. Bockey, R. Vogt, T. Kimmet, D. Schwertner, A. Hesseling, B. Pathoff. 4th Row: R. Dukes, J. Roberts, H. Hammond, J. Pothast, M. Holdgreve, J. Grothouse, J. Bracker, D. Smith, J. Hoersten, M. Altman, V. Osting, M. Buettner, J. Dean. 5th Row: O. Elwer, J. Reuille, P. Ebbeskotte, A. Presas, J. Wannemacher, Mr. John Nijssen (Director), J. Lause, J. Vonderwell, P. Cramer, A. Wiechart, D. Wiegung. Members Absent: C. Placke, A. Reinemeyer, and C. Brickner.

## Senior Band



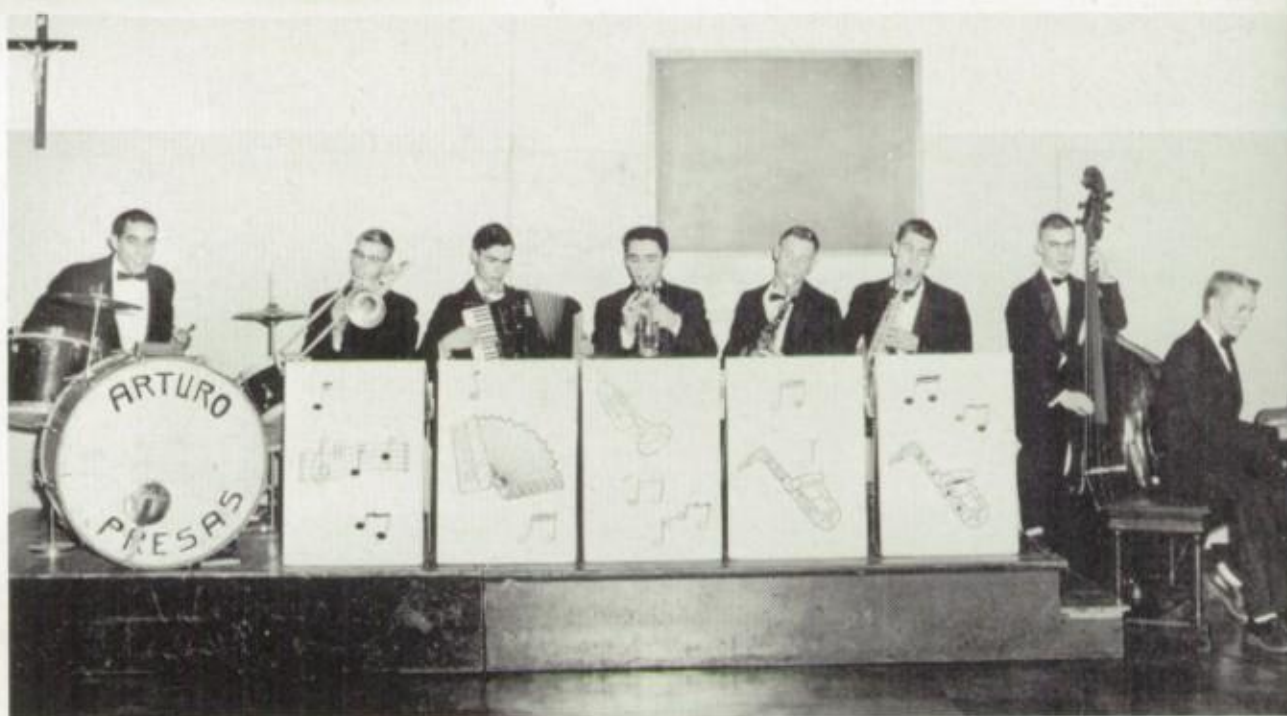




NEW TALENT is introduced this year. An all-senior orchestra, organized by Jerrold Wannemacher, is really in the grove. Here three members are ready to play "Sentimental Journey". They play for the school dances and are also playing for the Senior Class play. Left to right: Ronald Falter--bass, Eugene Placke--accordion, and Jerrold Wannemacher--piano.

## St. John's Orchestra

READY, GO! The orchestra is really in the swing now. Playing one of their favorite numbers are left to right: Arturo Presas--drums; Paul Ebbeskotte--trombone; Eugene Placke--accordion; James Lause--trumpet; John Vonderwell--tenor saxophone; John Rentz--alto saxophone; Ronald Falter--bass; and Jerrold Wannemacher--piano.



## St. John's Blue-Jettes

A NEW ORGANIZATION, the Blue-Jettes. Here they form a heart as they honor their homecoming queen, at the Springfield Catholic game. They marched at all home football games, and are directed by Mrs. A. J. Myers.



MUSIC, PLEASE! Now the Blue-Jettes accentuate the St. John's Band. Seniors: J. Lucke, H. Wagner, J. Carder, I. Ut-rup, M. Baldauf, R. Youngpeter, L. Schwinnen, C. Eggeman, R. Gerdeman, H. Wrocklage. Juniors: L. Rode, J. Kill, M. Wiecher, P. Best, R. Wurst, A. Bonifas, M. Kroeger. Sophomores: A. Renner, M. Horstman. Freshmen: V. Bonifas, M. Vondran, M. Dietering, J. Moenter, M. Hempfling.



JUNIOR boys welding: Left to right: Melvin Heitz, Carl Luersman, Donald Kimmet (the welder), Paul Ulrich, Clifford Rahrig, Ralph Trentman, Melvin Warnecke, Joseph Mueller, and Thomas Hempfling.



FRESHMAN Vocational Agriculture Boys testing milk: Robert Etzkorn, Howard Klaus, Robert Freund, Tom Gerdeman, Louis Hesseling, Norbert Seuver, Roger Osting, Paul Meyer, Jack Ulrich, Kenneth Noonan, James Freund, Thomas Nomina, and Kenneth Wurst.



SENIORS in their Agriculture Engineering Course are checking a tractor: Gilbert Pohlman, Robert Kortokrax, Robert Fischer, Joe Youngpeter, Robert Pothast, Omer Elwer, Donald Bockey, William Gerdeman, Paul Ebbeskotte, John Vonderwell, Leo Wrasman, Vincent Kehres, Irvin Moenter, Kenneth Dickrede, Eugene Vorst.

SOPHOMORES woodworking with a lathe: Norman Buettner, Bernard Schwinnen, Thomas Stant, Kenneth Miller, George Kimmet, John Gengler, Melvin Nomina, Donald Baldauf, Richard Suever, Edward Holdgreve. William Kroeger, John Wellmann, James Klaus.





# The Yearbook Staff

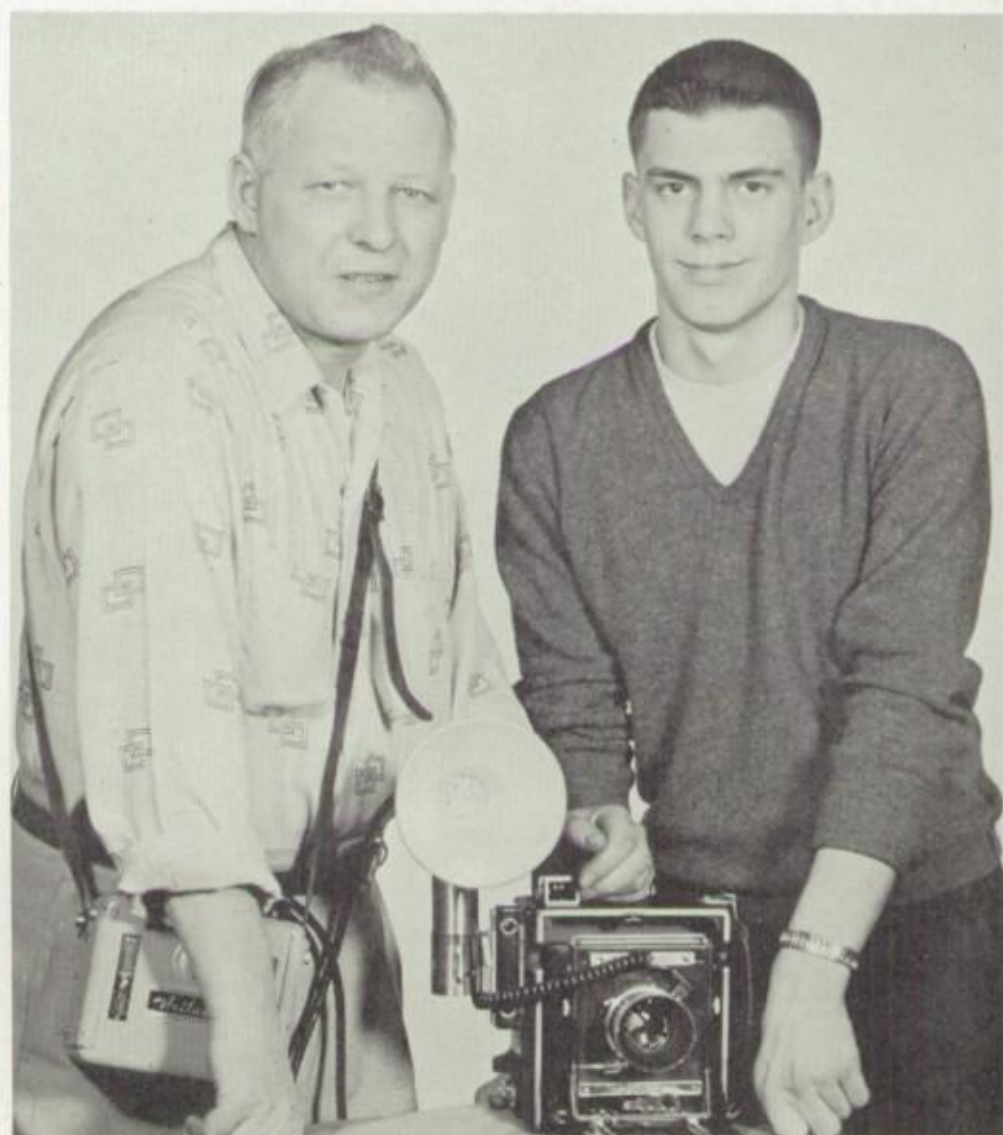
## The Crest



THE CREST STAFF is debating on a choice for this year's cover: Seated: Phillip Cramer, Nancy Weber, Ann Marie Shumaker, Mary Vogt and William Buschor (Co-editors), Jane Hempfling, Richard Vogt. Standing: Judith Nagel, Virjean Dickman, Marilyn Friedrich, Constance Kill, Martha Wiecher, and Phyllis Best. Advisor: Father Herr.

The superb photography in this year's Crest was done by MR. OLIVER LUNGREN of Kaufman's Studio. William Buschor, Co-editor of the Crest, assisted Mr. Lungren in planning the pictures.

The entire TYPING of the Crest has been done on our two IBM electric typewriters by Mary Vogt and Jane Hempfling.



THE BULLETIN BOARD was prepared by the staff to get the Crest Campaign under way.





# The Newspaper Staff

## St. John's Shield



### AWARDS MERITED BY MECHANICAL DRAWING STUDENTS

Mechanical drawing students laid their talents on the line when they exhibited drawings at the Allen County Fair the last week of August. They proved once again that St. John's can rank high.

William Buscher merited four blue ribbons, Ronald Folter, two. These merited the second highest, the red ribbon: John Sheeter, one; Louis King, one; William Buscher, three; Ronald Folter, three; and Jack Reinemeyer, two.

Glyc Pohlman merited the white ribbon. Both Jack Reinemeyer's and Gilbert Pohlman's entries were drawn from the actual model without dimensions. Gilbert submitted a spark plug with parts and Jack Reinemeyer a copper cutter.



Viewing a prize drawing are left to right: William Buscher, Gilbert Pohlman, John Sheeter, Jack Reinemeyer, and Ronald Folter.

### Highlights

#### CHANGES IN FACULTY

Father Miller has assumed the duty of teaching the sophomore girls Religion, a position left vacant with the transfer of Father John Lohmuhl to Sandusky.

Sister Mary Lomenzo is taking the place of Sister Mary Clarence who is now teaching in St. Paul's Norwalk. Sister Clarence is also the superior of the Sisters there.

Sister Mary Lomenzo, who last year taught biology and typing at St. Joseph's Fremont is now teaching home arts, typing and biology here at St. John's.

Goodwill and blessings on your work, Father John Lohmuhl and Sister Mary Clarence.

Welcome to St. John's, Father Miller and Sister Mary Lomenzo!

S J S

#### NEW COURSE OFFERED

Practical Physics has been introduced at Saint John's. This course is offered for those students who do not desire to take the pre-college course in physics and yet are interested in the practical side of the subject. Sister Mary Leone is the instructor.

S J S

#### VIEWS OF VOCATIONS

Notre Dame checks up Patricia Elsker and Carol Gerdeman, former St. John's High students on their list of applicants. Patricia, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Elsker commenced her senior year Monday, September 12, at Notre Dame Academy, Toledo, Mo. and Mrs. Walter Gerdeman's daughter Carol begins her third year of secondary education.

Good luck girls in your chosen vocations. We'll back you with prayers.

## Delphos ST. JOHN'S Shield

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### STUDENTS ELECT ROBERT POTHAAT PRESIDENT OF MISSIONS

"I felt very humble when I realized that the student body had selected me Mission President, the highest office in the school," reports Robert Pothaat, '56, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Pothaat, in an interview.



Robert Pothaat

Robert has been an active student, a valuable member of the basketball team for the last three years, and the current president of the YEA. In his Junior year, he also served as co-chairman of the Junior-Senior Prom and toastmaster of the banquet.

In keeping with a tradition at St. John's, the nominees for mission president were selected from the previous year's merit students.

### PRESSES ROLL AT ST. JOHN'S AS NEW PUBLICATION EMERGES

History is being made as the first journalism class at St. John's edits the initial volume of the school's newspaper, the ST. JOHN'S SHIELD. The staff process of printing is being employed.

ANNUAL SCHOOL FESTIVAL  
OCTOBER 23 AND 24

Rev. Magt. Carl F. Reinbeck, Superintendent of St. John's School, announced that plans are being completed for the erection of an addition to the school and the building of a gym and band room. With the enrollment exceeding 1200, and the regular schoolroom a need for four first grade rooms in 1957, St. John's School is making plans to make all-out efforts to make this festival better than ever!

Factors that prompted the beginning of a school paper at St. John's were the increasing realization of the need for more student-writing and for more creative writing.

Although every member of the student body may submit contributions, the publishing of the ST. JOHN'S SHIELD will be the responsibility of the journalism class. According to the principal, Father Hart, key positions on the staff will not be assigned until the October issue. Journalists of the senior class were the general editors of the current issue. Typists were Beverly Bonifas, Deanne Weigle and Suzanne Kill.

### 20 GRADUATES OF '55 SEEK HIGHER EDUCATION

Six colleges and two nurses training schools will enroll St. John's June graduates this fall.

Notre Dame College, Cleveland, will roll out its welcome mat to Judith Alexander and Lauren Hall. St. Rita's, Lima, has opened its doors to Susan Odenweller, Barbara Binkner, Madelyn Horstman, Sheila O'Neill, Darla Pohlman, and Alice Wagoner. Mercy Hospital, Toledo, Ruth Brickner, Janet Beckus, Carolyn Weigler, and Marilyn Weigler. St. Joseph College, Kenosha, Indiana: Thomas Laloply and Francis Norrins. Marquette University, Notre Beacher, Dayton University: Glen Gorkos, James Herman, and Robert Myers. Notre Dame University: Robert Kill. Ohio State University: Todd Stallkamp.

Pictured above is the FIRST STAFF of the St. John's Shield, looking proudly upon a previous copy. Under the direction of Sister Mary Delphine, the monthly paper is written and edited by the staff. Articles are contributed by the English classes of the High School. Seated: Nancy Weber, Carol Nomina, Barbara Sickles, Beverly Bonifas, Sue Kill, Deanne Weigle (Editor), Patricia Mueller, Phyllis Imber, Janice Stahl, Nancy Lause, Carol Michalec. Standing: Judy Nagel, Karla Lisk, Sharon Odenweller, Louise Backus, Jerrold Wannemacher, Bob Pothast, Jack Reinemeyer, Dick Schlagbaum, David Weisgerber, Marilyn Friedrich, Darla Wannemacher, Diane Brickner and Cheyrl Druckemiller.

Preparing for the final touch-up, the two SHIELD TYPISTS, Beverly Bonifas and Deanne Weigle, double-check an article. They are typing on two IBM electric typewriters.

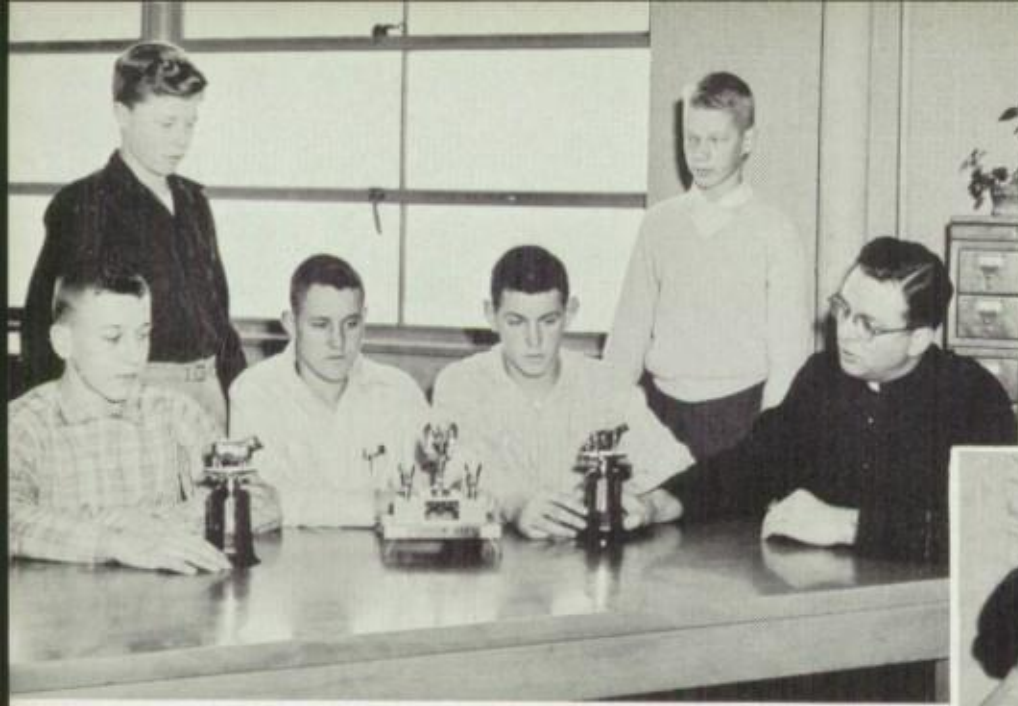


THE BULLETIN BOARD displays the work done by printer and staff as the paper goes to press.



## 4-H Club

4-H'ERS admire trophies won at the Allen Co. Fair for showmanship! John Wellmann, Louis Hesseling, Roger Stant, Thomas Nomina, and Edwin Holdgreve.



Jeannete Bockey models the dress that won the BLUE RIBBON at the Allen Co. Fair. Looking on, are Angela Renner, Mary Trentman, Carolyn Eggeman, Nioma Kortkrax, Ruth Klausling, Doris Stant, Helen Grone, Marjorie Fischer, La Donna Schwinnen, and Jane Pohlman.



**DRIVER TRAINING:** Delphos St. John's is very thankful to Mr. Frank Shumaker of Delpha Chevrolet for donating this new Chevrolet to the school. Coach Robert Arnzen is the instructor: Six of his students are: Joyce Burnett, Tonja Wiley, Margaret Maloney, Dorothy Renner, Darlene Grothaus, and Mary Alice Grothaus. On the right are Mr. Shumaker and Father Herr.



Donald Imber receives the "AD ALTARE DEI" medal (the highest award in Catholic Scouting) from Father Ottenweller, while Robert Burger, Arnold Fischer, and Charles Lauser look on.



**EXPLORER SCOUTS** reminisce a canoe trip up the Auglaize River. John Moening, Arnold Fischer, Charles Lauser, Donald Imber, Gerald Vondran, Kenneth Grothaus, and Robert Burger.

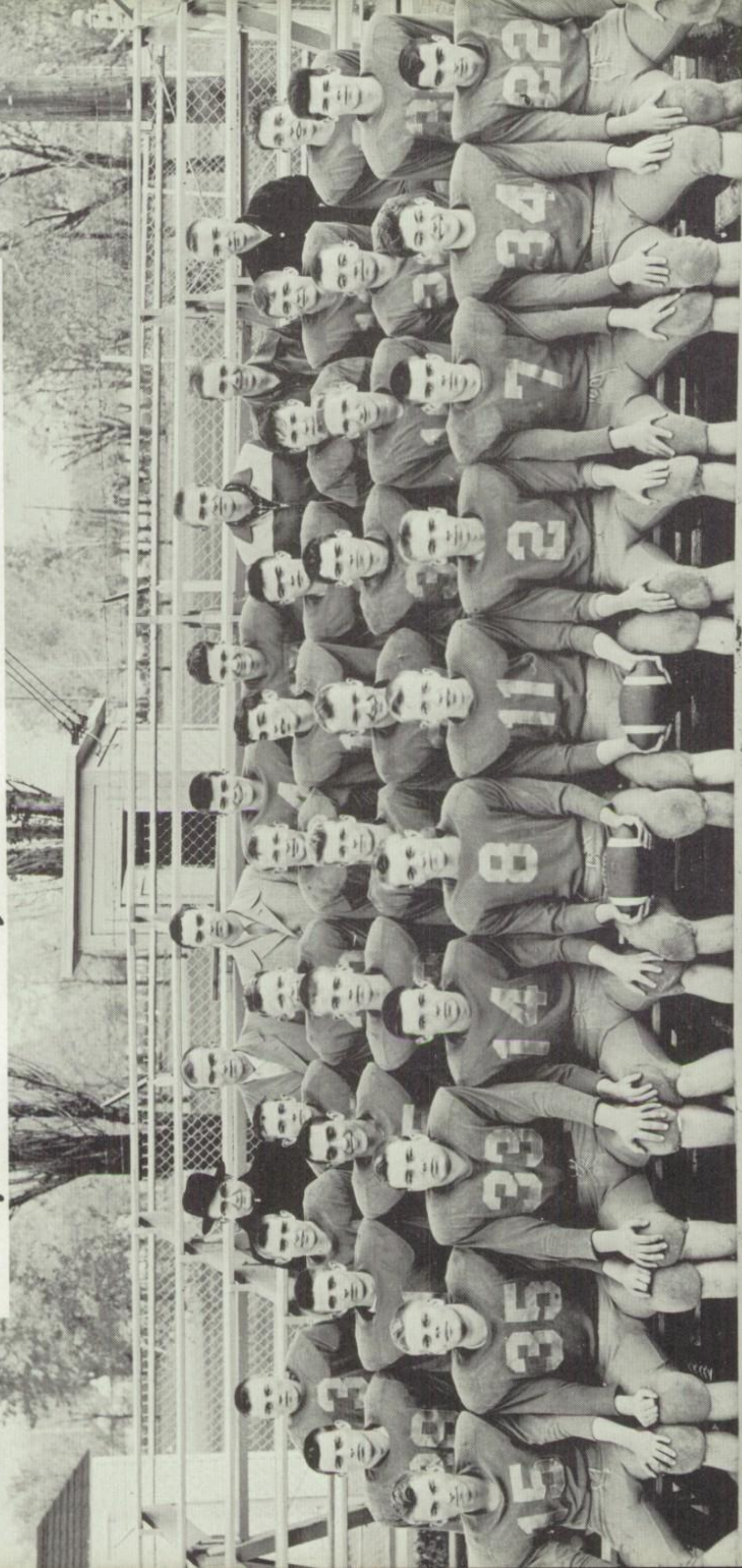




*Athletics*



# Delphos St. John's Football Team



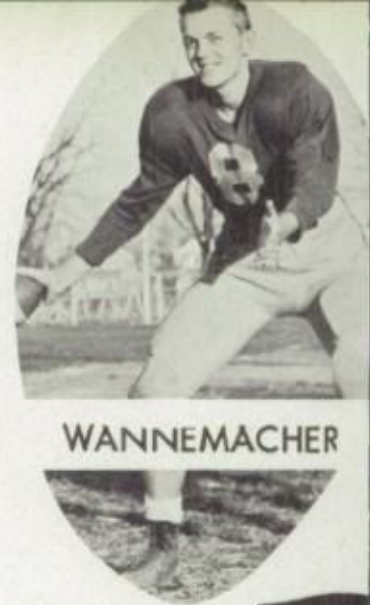
Left to Right: First Row: E. Vorst, J. Mesker, F. Wilson, J. Imber, J. Wannemacher, R. Schlagbaum, W. Suever, W. Buschor, J. Rein-  
emeyer, L. Spieles. Second Row: J. Youngpeter, N. Vondran, A. Presas, R. Wurst, R. Ott, E. Haunhorst, R. Vogt, L. Poulton, J.  
Spieles, A. Mueller. Third Row: L. Vorst, A. Schwinen, G. Vondran, G. Kundert, M. Warnecke, J. Ulm, J. Bonifas, T. Bridges,  
W. Weigle, T. Gordon. Fourth Row: Director of Athletics, Father Herr, Auxiliary Coach, Ralph Wagner, Coach, Robert Arzen, R. Scher-  
ger, R. Merschman. Managers: R. German, R. Kortokrax, J. Schimmoeller. Absent because of illness, James Laue.





SENIORS OF THE FIRST FOOTBALL TEAM: Bottom: Frank Wilson, James Mesker, William Buschor, Richard Schlagbaum, Eugene Vorst, John Reinemeyer, Robert Fischer. Top: Walter Suever, Norman Vondran, John Imber, Arturo Presas, Jerrold Wannemacher, Joseph Youngpeter, Robert Wurst, Larry Spieles. Absent because of illness, James Lause.





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# Delphos S



BLUE JAY		
Shawnee (Lin S.J. C		
Sept. 25	Tiffin Calvert	0
Sept. 30	Waynesfield	32
Oct. 7	Lakeview	32
Oct. 14	Hicksville	41



VONDRAN



IMBER



G. VORST



YOUNGPETER



PRESAS



HAUNHORST



POULSON



L. VORST



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VOGT





*First*

# FOOTBALL

## SEASON !



SCHLAGBAUM



SPIELES



BUSCHOR



WILSON



MESKER



WURST



FISCHER



SUEVER



REINEMEYER

*John's Lettermen*

ON RECORD

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	S.J.	OP.
. 21 North Baltimore	18	25
. 30 St. Rose	6	12
y. 6 Springfield Cath.	6	35
y. 11 Coldwater	19	33



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Our

Football

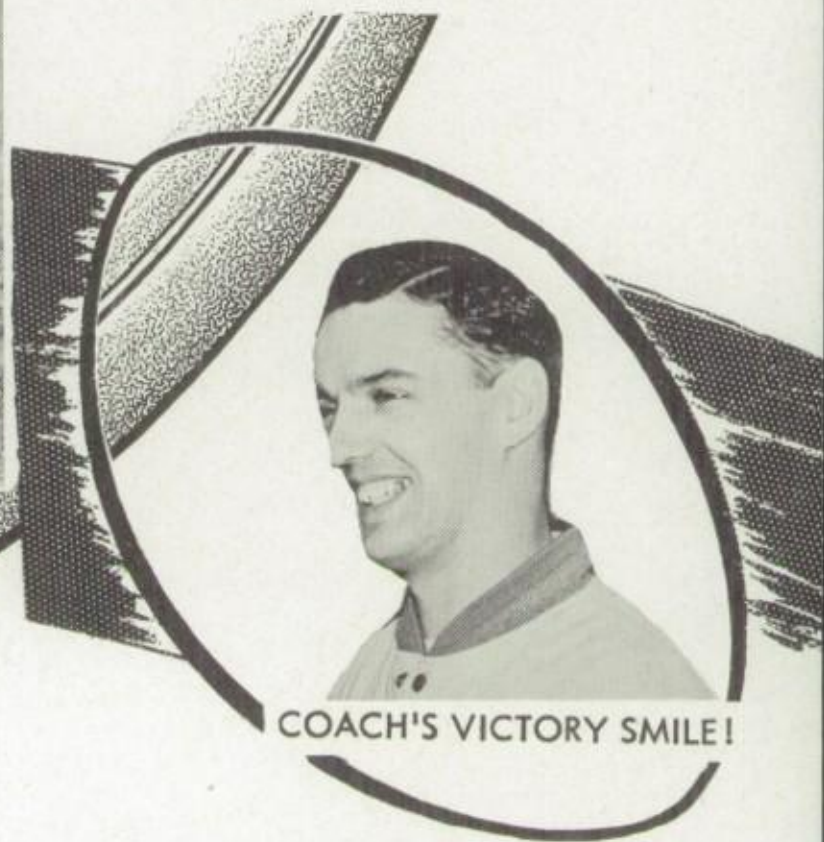
Coach !

DELPHOS

HIT THAT LINE!



Another FIRST for our coach! Mr. Robert Arnzen developed St. John's first Football Team and carried it to a well earned record of 3 and 5. Coach has been with us six years. His record in Basketball has been a glorious one. Now he gives promise of a like record in Football.



COACH'S VICTORY SMILE!

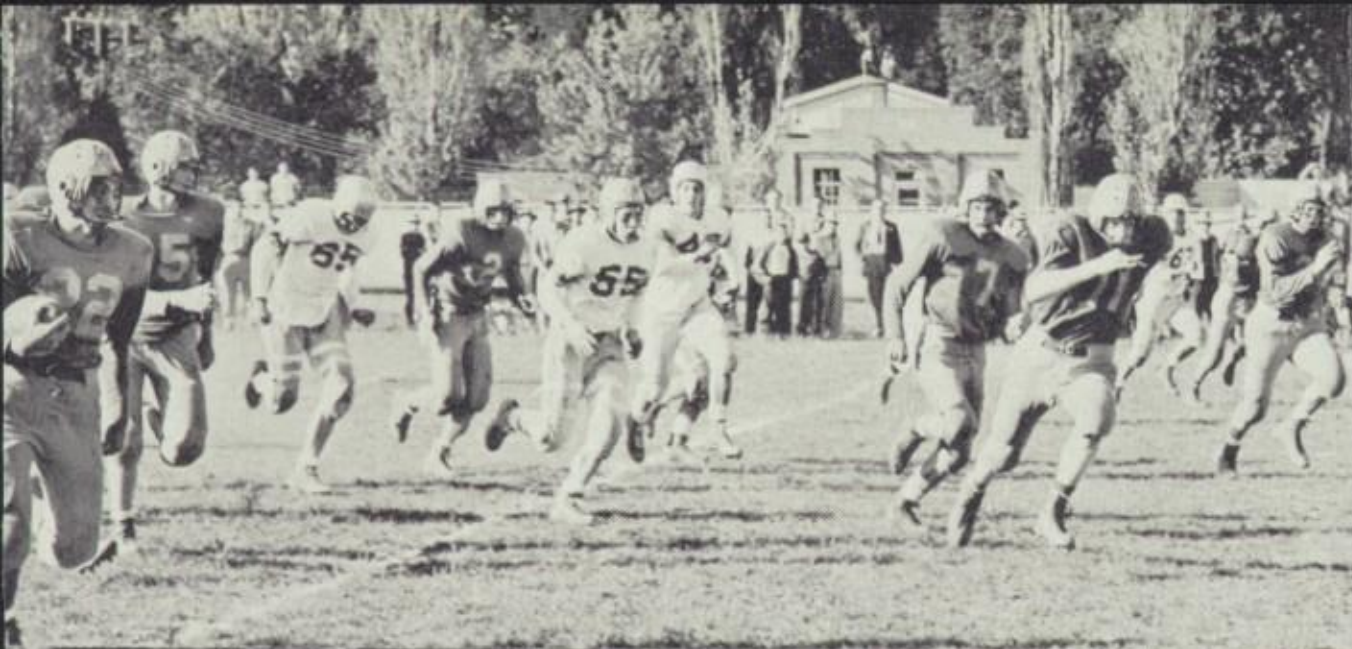
OUR CO-CAPTAINS--- The sparks of our Football Team! Jerrold "Whitey" Wannemacher and Richard "Red" Schlagbaum.



Mr. Ralph Wagner, a graduate of St. John's, attended St. Joseph's College. Ralph helped Coach Arnzen in producing his Alma Mater's First Football Team.







**FIGHT!**  
*Football  
Action  
Snapshots*  
**FIGHT!**





**RESERVE FOOTBALL PLAYERS** working their way up! Standing: Kenny Grothaus, Bill Schmursal, Don Hall, Tim McKowen, and Roger Stant. Kneeling: George Schwinnen, Bob Martin, Dick Merschman, Kenny Noonan, Charles Ashby, and Teddy Spieles.



**FOOTBALL CHEERLEADERS** brighten the field with their vivacious school colors. Their spirit proved just as bright! Standing: Karla Lisk, Deanne Weigle, Louise Backus: Kneeling: Sharon Odenweller, Nancy Weber, and Judy Nagel.

**MANAGERS** help make a football team. Their alertness is appreciated also by the coach. Standing: Bob German, Jim Schimmoller. Kneeling: Bob Kortokrax, and (Publicity Mgr.) Ronnie Falter.







## Tribute to the Homecoming Queen !



### THE QUEEN AND HER COURT

Left to Right: Janice Lause, Freshman; Diane Brickner, Sophomore; Marilyn Friedrich, Junior; Queen Deanne Weigle, Senior; Mary Catherine Vogt, Senior; Virjean Dickman, Junior; Sandra Pathoff, Sophomore; and Margaret Wrasman, Freshman.

FIRST HOMECOMING QUEEN---Delphos John's this year picked its first Homecoming Queen. Deanne Weigle was chosen as Queen, and her court consisted of one senior attendant, Mary Catherine Vogt, and six other attendants from the lower classes. The crowning took place at the Delphos Stadium on Sunday afternoon, Nov. 6, at half-time of the Springfield Catholic game. The queen was crowned by the Co-captains, Richard Schlagbaum and Jerrold Warner, and was presented by the team with a bouquet of mums. Her Senior attendant Mary Catherine Vogt, received a bouquet, while the remainder of the court were presented with corsages. The Queen and her attendants were chosen from the top merit students in each section they showed throughout the year, leadership in all school activities.



CO-CAPTAINS CROWN DEANNE WEIGLE FIRST HOMECOMING QUEEN



THE QUEEN, HER COURT, ST. JOHN'S BLUE-JETTES AND ST. JOHN'S BAND

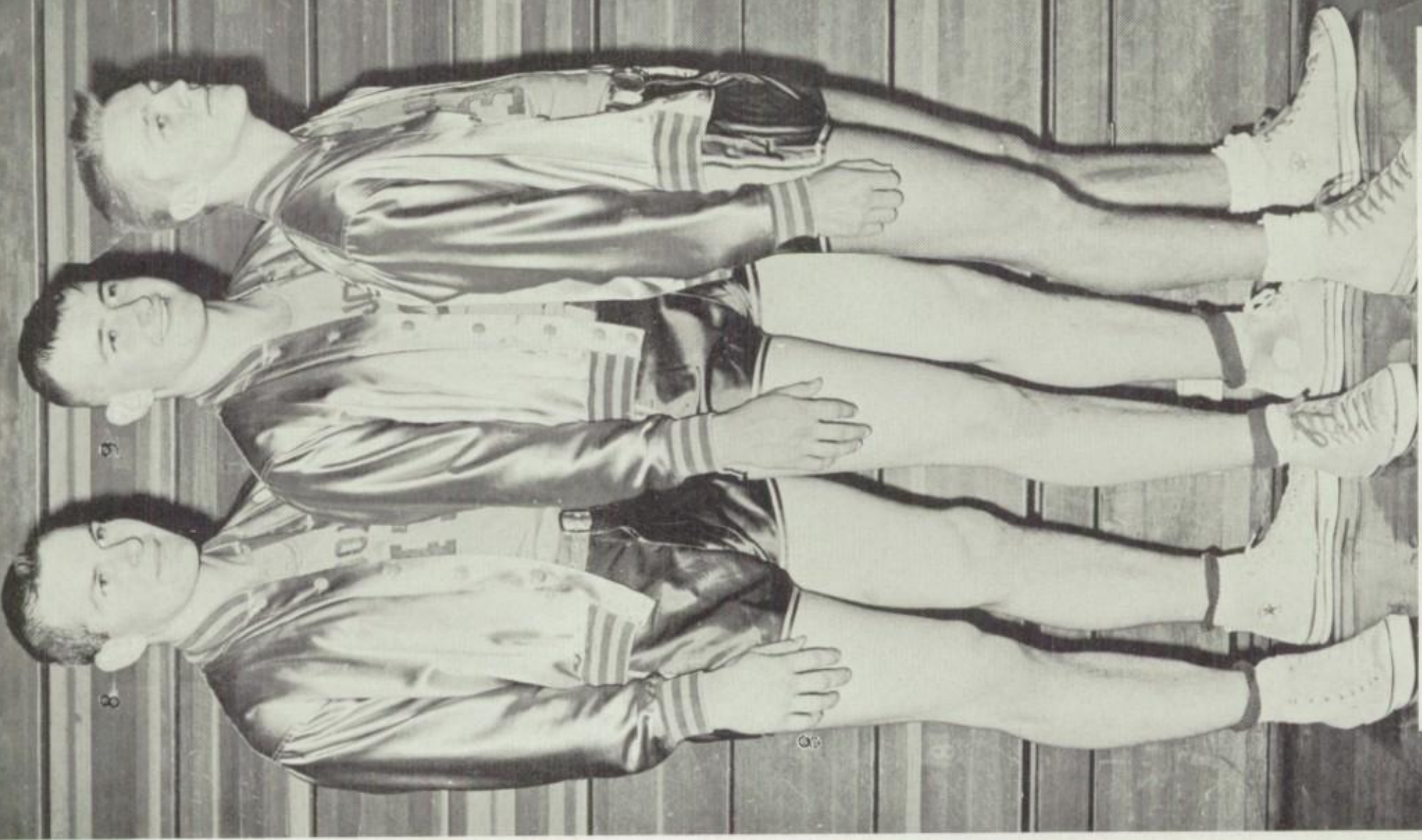
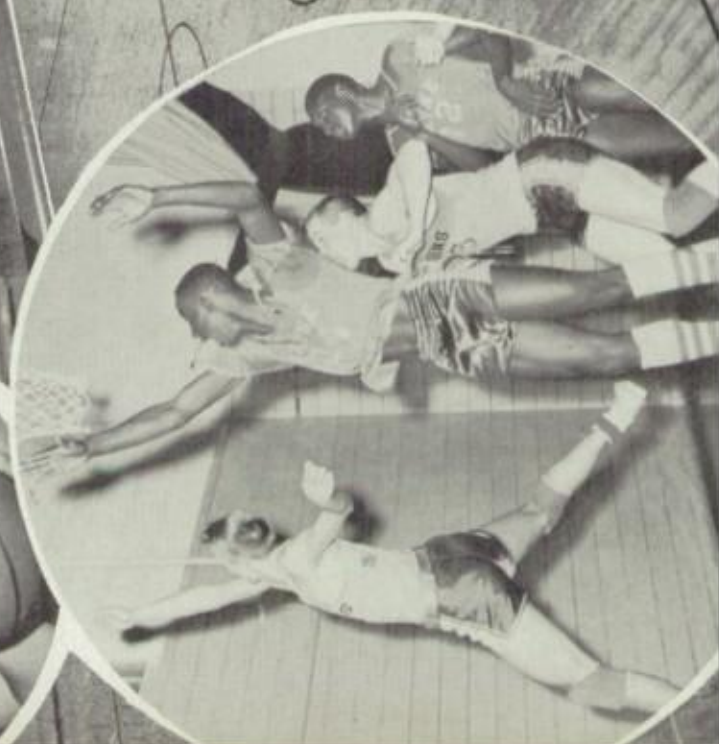


QUEEN DEANNE WEIGLE!



# BASKETBALL

1955 - 1956



*The Senior Blue Jays*

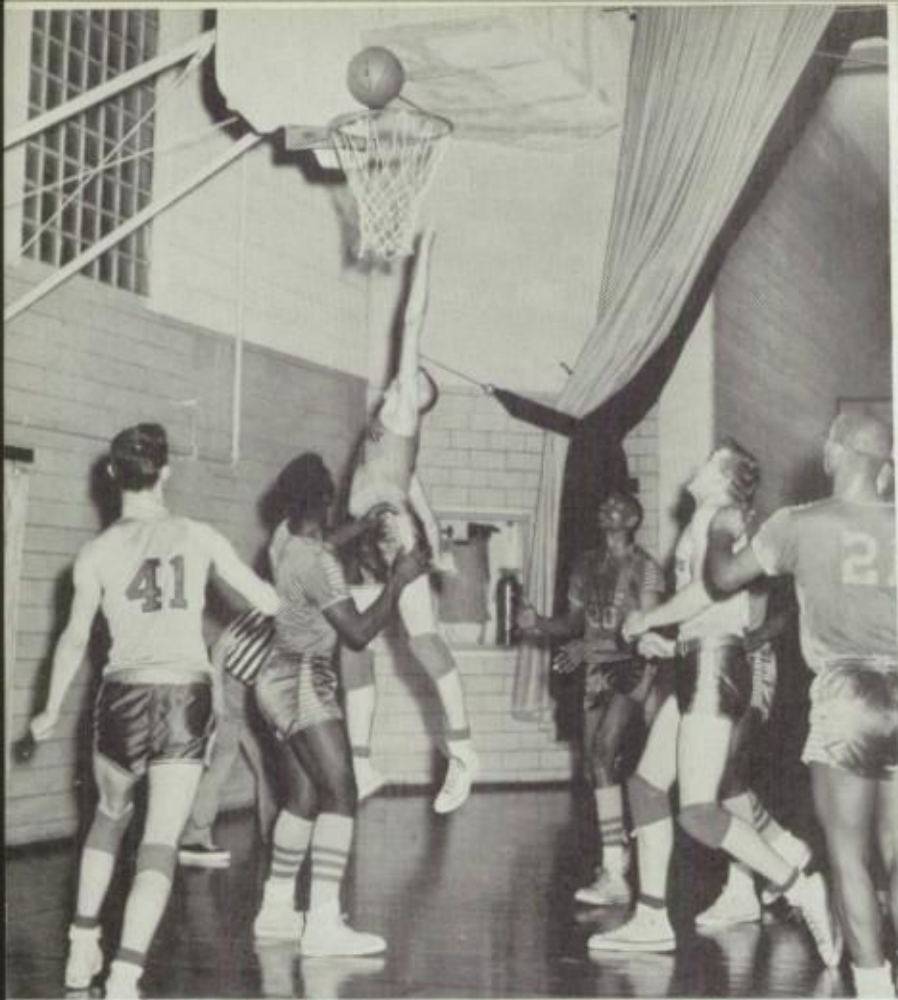


# St. John's Varsity

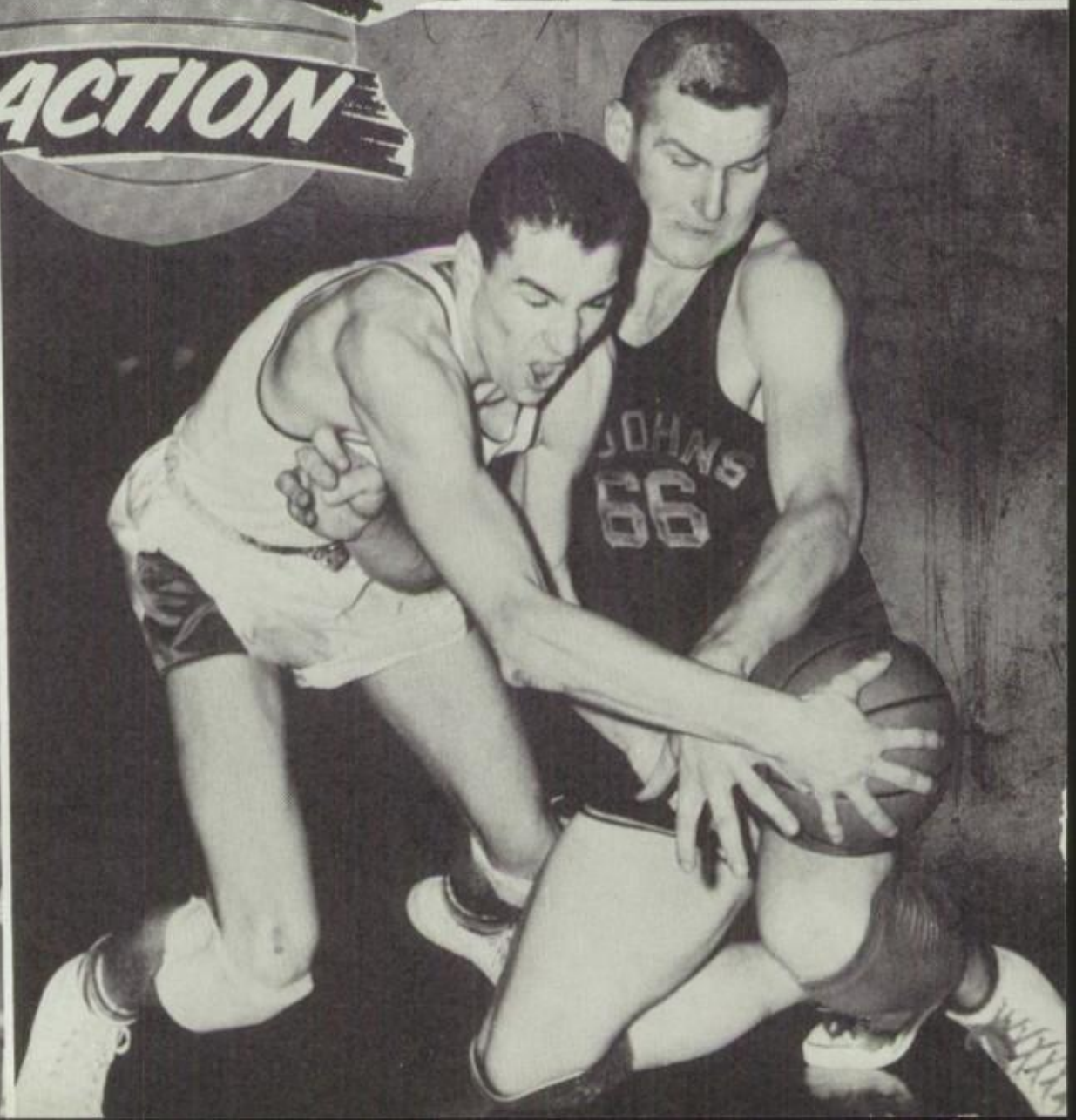


OUR VARSITY '55 - '56  
 R. Allemeier, G. Pohlman, G. Fischer, R. Pothast, N. Osting, E. Haunhorst, R. Vogt, J. Wannemacher, L. Vorst,  
 A. Fischer, R. Ott





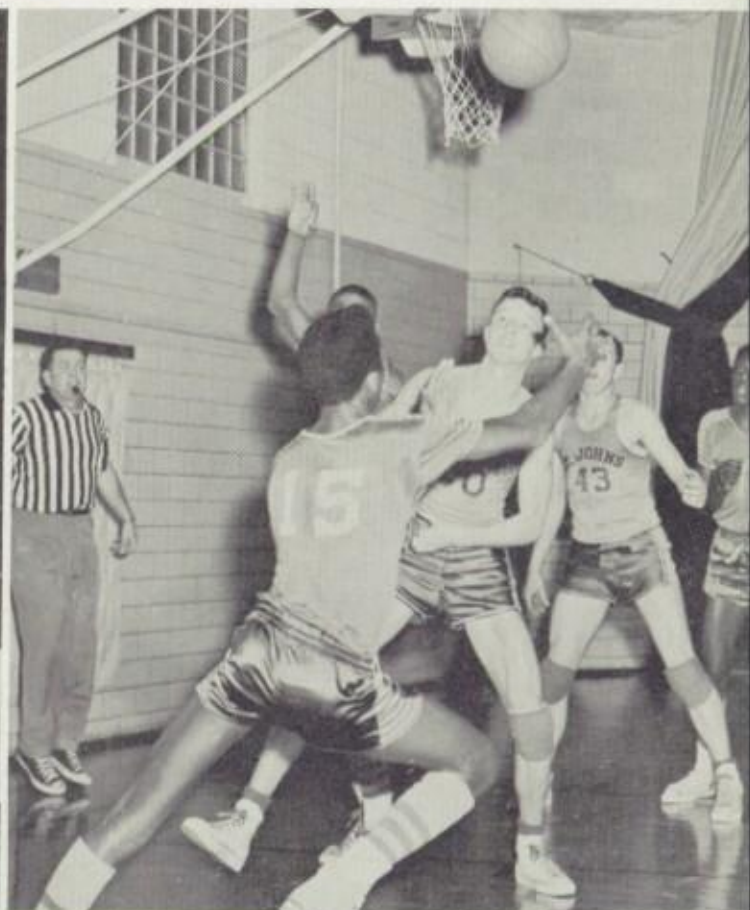
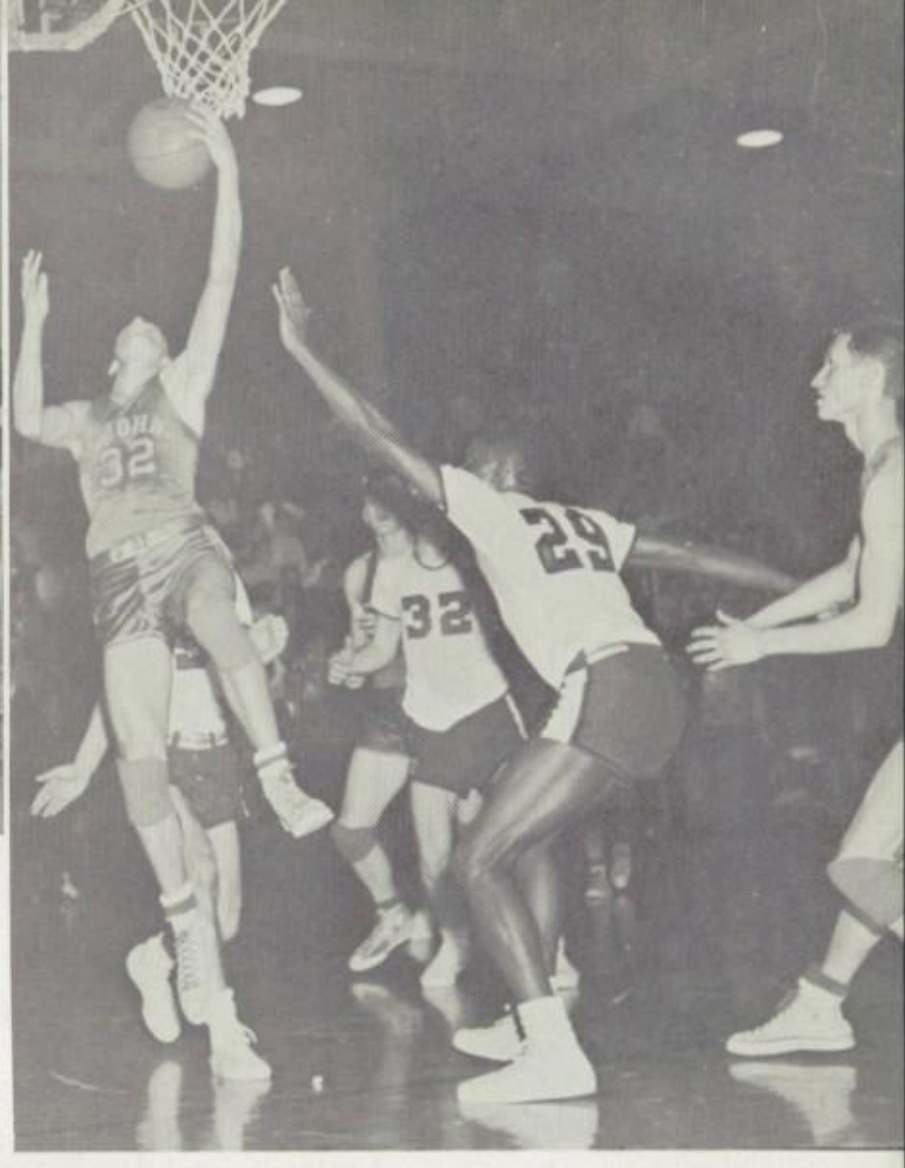
# BASKETBALL ACTION







*Blue  
Jay  
Sports  
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# Blue Jay Varsity Basketball Squad

1955 - 1956

## SEASON

## RECORD

	S.J.	OP.
Dec. 2 - ST. HENRY	72	36
Dec. 6 - Sidney	42	34
Dec. 13 - VAN WERT	59	47
Dec. 18 - Lakewood St. Edward	43	47
Dec. 20 - Coldwater	42	45
Dec. 23 - KALIDA	55	49
Jan. 3 - DAYTON STIVERS	60	70
Jan. 6 - Springfield Catholic	54	49
Jan. 10 - OTTOVILLE	60	41
Jan. 13 - LIMA ST. ROSE	58	45
Jan. 15 - NEWPORT CATHOLIC	64	67
Jan. 20 - CINCINNATI DE PORRES	47	43
Jan. 24 - Dayton Dunbar	59	61
Jan. 28 - TECUMSEH	71	53
Feb. 4 - LOCKLAND WAYNE	54	52
Feb. 11 - CELINA	75	57
Feb. 14 - Toledo Central	44	48
Feb. 17 - Columbus Rosary	86	36

## LIMA SECTIONAL TOURNAMENT

Feb. 24 - Lima Senior High	80	64
Mar. 2 - Findlay	52	53

## TOTAL POINTS

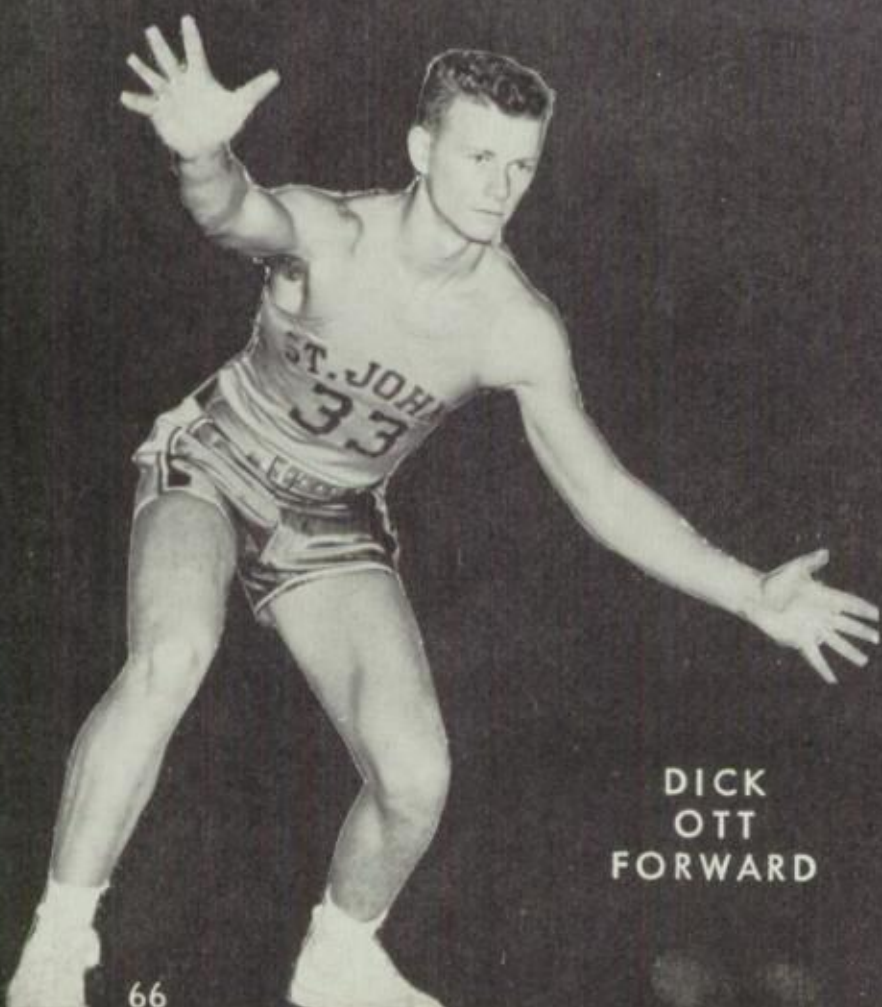
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## THE BLUE JAYS - YOUR TEAM

Our Lady of Fatima, the patron of Delphos St. John's Basketball Team, looks down on her three Seniors. Before every game they offered the Rosary to her. Afterwards they brought thirteen victories and seven defeats to lay before her shrine.

13 WINS

7 LOSSES



DICK  
OTT  
FORWARD



BOB  
POTHAST  
CENTER



CAPTAIN  
GIP  
"GIANT"  
POHLMAN  
CENTER



COACH RO  
ARNZEN com-  
pleted his sixth year  
at Delphos St. John's.  
He has coached the  
Delphos St. John's  
Varsity Basketball Team  
a real Class A  
tender.





WHITEY  
WANNEMACHER  
GUARD



GENE  
HAUNHORST  
FORWARD



LEON  
VORST  
FORWARD



BOB  
ALLEMEIER  
CENTER



JERRY  
FISCHER  
FORWARD



NORMAN  
OSTING  
FORWARD



DICK  
VOGT  
GUARD





## Seniors

These three Senior's have carried the Blue Jays through many vic-torie's. They played four years under Coach Arnzen: Gilbert "Giant" Pohlman, Coach Arnzen, Jerrold "Whitey" Wannemach-er, Robert "Bob" Pothast.

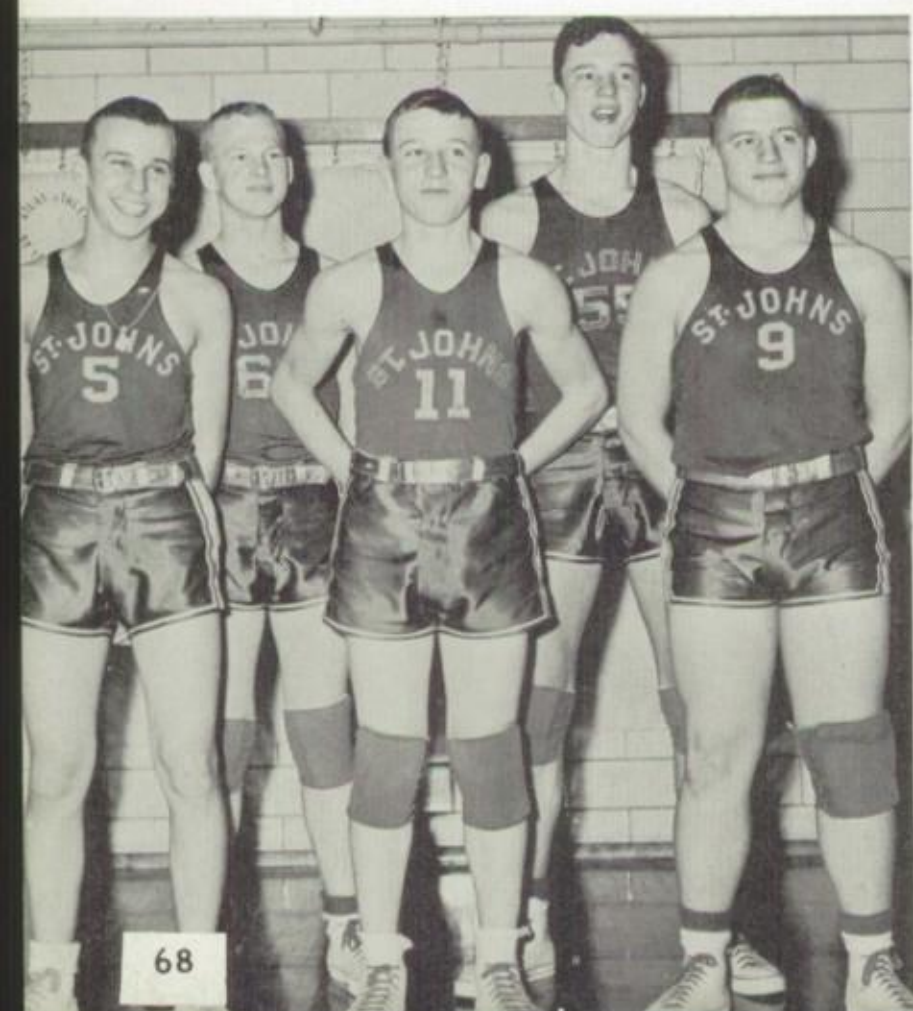
## Juniors

The men of next year: Our Juniors: Leon Vorst, Gene Haunhorst, Gerald Fischer, Norman "Red" Osting, Richard Vogt, Richard Ott.



## Freshmen

Champs in Junior High! Runners up as Freshmen! Who knows as Seniors? Left to right: Kenneth Noon-an, Ronald Alspaugh, Daniel Mueller, Thomas Nom-ina, Roger Osting, Richard Merschman, Richard Scherger, Kenneth Wurst, Paul Grothouse.



## Sophomores

Sophomores: Another step for the Class of 58': Larry Holden, Ar-nold Fischer, John Wellmann, Robert Allemeier, William Wiegler.



## Cheerleaders

OUR VARSITY CHEERLEADERS who did a great job leading our cheering section throughout the year. Left to right are: Darla Wannemacher, Cheryl Druckemiller, Virjean Dickman and Phyllis Best.



## Managers

OUR MANAGERS who kept our team "Running" smoothly. Left to right are: Donald Hall, Edwin Holdgreve, Richard Schlagbaum (Publicity Manager), Patrick Williams, Arthur Goergens. Kneeling are: Kenneth Kaverman and Thomas Warnecke.

## Ticket Sellers

OUR TICKET SELLERS being congratulated by Father Herr for a wonderful job. Left to right are: Barbara Sickles, Phyllis Imber, Josephine Lucke, Nancy Stallkamp, Sandra Pathoff and Leann Weger.







## *Athletic Committees*

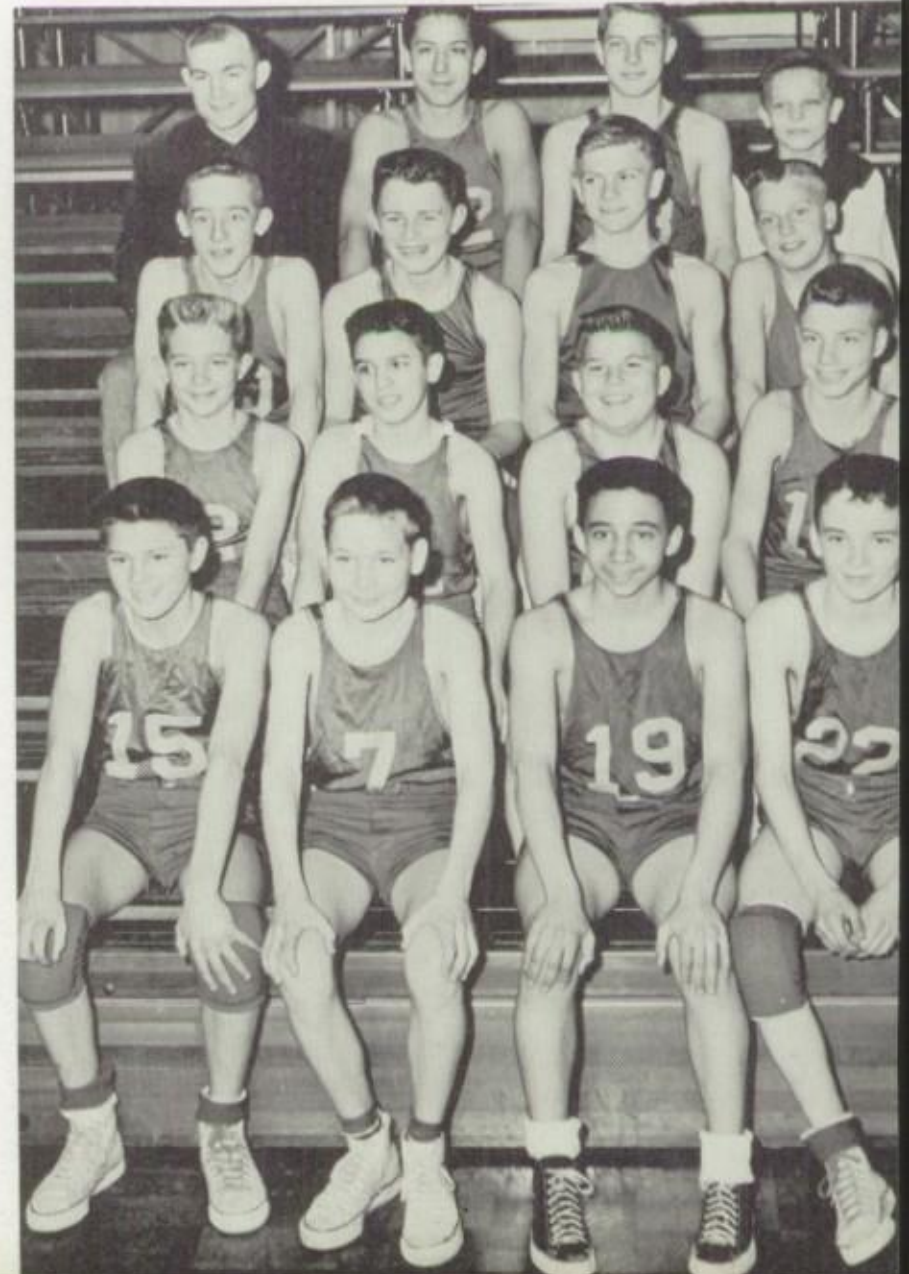
These friends of the Blue Jays have helped all home games. They deserve our sincere thanks. **BASKETBALL HELPERS** (to the left) W. Foster, A.J. Meyers, H. Ditto, F. Weiserger, C. Steinhour, R. Pohlman, J. Nijss, A.J. Laudick, J. Giesken, L. Smith, D. Grothouse, H. Backus, Mrs. H. Backus. **FOOTBALL HELPERS** (below): C. Steinhour, R. Weiser, E. Gladen, D. Grothouse, G. Grothouse, H. Backus, Mrs. H. Backus, O. Sever, Mrs. O. Sever, E. Wurst, F. Weiserger, Kill, Fr. Herr, W. Foster, E. Nomina, Westrich, R. Moorman, C. Drewyore, Weger, H. Gallmeier.

Blue Jay's **BASEBALL TEAM** and their coach. 1: R. Falter, J. Imber, A. Presas, L. Spieles, Coach Bob Arnzen. 2: J. Youngpeter, J. Vonderwell, J. Richey, J. Sheeter. 3: Dave Griffiths, L. Vorst, P. Hammond, J. Spieles, F. Reinemeyer. 4: G. Fischer, W. Schmursal, C. Lauser, F. Meyers. 5: J. Ulm, T. Spieles, R. Kaverman, R. Scherger. 6: D. Imber, Mgrs. T. Warnecke, and K. Kaverman.



**THESE FUTURE BLUE JAYS:** 1: R. Thitoff, J. Williams, L. Lause, T. Odenweller. 2: W. Louth, N. Yockum, R. Drewyore, R. Noonan. 3: S. Grone, S. Backus, T. Kroeger, G. Schimmoeller. 4: Coach Ralph Wagner, A. Wiechart, A. Pohlman, E. Lause.

## *Eighth Grade*







# *Activities*





## Senior Awards

St. John's is proud of these five SENIORS who placed in the Scholarship Test of 1956. David Weisgerber, rating second, scored a total of 232 points out of a possible 300. Paul Ebbeskotte, seventh, with 210 points; receiving Honorable Mention were Ronald Falter, 193; Norman Vondran, 177; and Helen Wrocklage, 171.

## Honor Roll

Scholastic LEADERS of St. John's High School: Row 1: William Buschor, David Weisgerber, M. Warnecke, R. Ott, R. Weisgerber, James Powell, Richard Scherger. Row 2: Janice Stahl, Mary Catherine Vogt, Phyllis Imber, Janice Kill, Phyllis Best, Patricia Rahrig, Frances Beecher, Richard Merschman, Marilyn Vondran, Thomas Weisgerber, and Margaret Wrasman.



## Honors

These Blue and Gold MERIT WINNERS are leaders in their respective sections in class activities for the First Semester. Row 1: Marilyn Friedrich, Virjean Dickman, Sandra Pathoff, Martha Wiecher, Joyce Iillig, Mary Elaine Kundert, Margaret Wrasman. Row 2: Deanne Weigle, Mary Catherine Vogt, Sue Kill, Helen Wagner, Patricia Kroeger, Melvin Nomina, James Fortener, Thomas Weisgerber and George Schwinnen.



# Our Retreat

November 21, 22, 23

The RETREAT MASTER, Father Stanley Kusman, (at Right) was responsible for much of the Retreat Spirit. He was Chaplain in the Army in World War II and is presently teaching at Chaminade College, in Clayton, Missouri.

Did we keep it an  
"UNDEFEATED SEASON"?

Assembled together in St. John's Church is the entire Student Body at BENEDICTION of the Blessed Sacrament, which closed the Retreat. The students of St. John's believe this was their greatest Retreat, and for the Seniors, perhaps their last.







## Father Ricker

MICHAEL RICKER  
BEFORE BEING  
ORDAINED LIES  
PROSTRATE BE-  
FORE HIS GOD AT  
THE ALTAR



## THE CONSECRATED



## BISHOP REHRING ANNOINTING THE YOUNG PRIEST'S HANDS

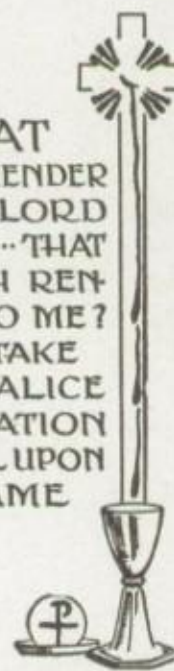
### THE FIRST ORDINATION AT ST. JOHN'S CHURCH

Our Fortieth Anniversary began with the first ordination ever to take place at St. John's Church. Most Reverend George J. Rehring, Bishop of Toledo, on Sunday, August 14th ordained to the priesthood an alumnus of Delphos St. John's High School of the class of 1948, John Michael Ricker.

" I COME TO DO THY WILL, OH LORD "



WHAT  
SHALL I RENDER  
TO THE LORD  
FOR ALL... THAT  
HE HATH REN-  
DERED TO ME?  
I WILL TAKE  
THE CHALICE  
OF SALVATION  
AND CALL UPON  
THE NAME  
OF  
THE  
LORD







## First Mass

THE CHALICE,  
PATEN AND  
STOLE - SYMBOLS  
OF THE PRIEST-  
HOOD

HANDS OF A PRIEST



FATHER RICKER GIVES COMMUNION AT HIS  
FIRST MASS

### FATHER RICKER'S FIRST MASS

On the feast of the Assumption Father Ricker celebrated his first Solemn Mass with his pastor, Monsignor Reineck as his assistant priest. Father James Steinle, a graduate of Delphos St. John's class of '44 was sub-deacon and Father Ricker's brother, Kevin Ricker of the class of '55 was master of ceremonies. Father Herr, our Principal, was deacon. Another alumnus, Father Justin Weger of the class of '44, was sub-deacon of the Ordination.

FATHER RICKER GIVES HIS BLESSING TO HIS  
PASTOR



 **THOU  
ART A  
PRIEST  
+ FOR +  
EVER**

THANKS BE TO  
GOD FOR HIS UN-  
SPEAKABLE GIFT





*Junior*

*Senior*

*Prom*

At the close of the Prom the evening was DEDICATED TO OUR BLESSED MOTHER by the placing of the crowns at Her feet by the King and Queen, while the entire Junior and Senior Classes sang "Mother Beloved" before her shrine.





## SENIORS OF '56" --- GUESTS OF THE JUNIORS

ST. JOHN'S LITTLE THEATER

FEBRUARY 6, 1956

Under the co-chairmanship of Richard Vogt and Virjean Dickman, the Junior Class transformed the Little Theater and Cafeteria into a Wonderland of Stardust. The Juniors' mothers prepared an elaborate banquet which started the evening.

Richard Vogt acted as toastmaster. Roger Odenweller welcomed the Seniors, Richard Schlagbaum responded in their name. Speakers of the banquet were: Mr. Nijssen, Mr. Arnzen, Mr. Smith, Father Gillig, Father Miller, Father Herr and Monsignor Reineck. The enchanting music of Hadyn Snyder's orchestra added a final touch to a gala evening. Robert Pothast and Carol Michaeliec were chosen by their fellow classmates to reign as King and Queen.







# ANNIE GET YOUR GUN

IN THE RICHARD RODGERS

OSCAR HAMMERSTEIN II PRODUCTION

MUSIC AND LYRICS BY

IRVING BERLIN

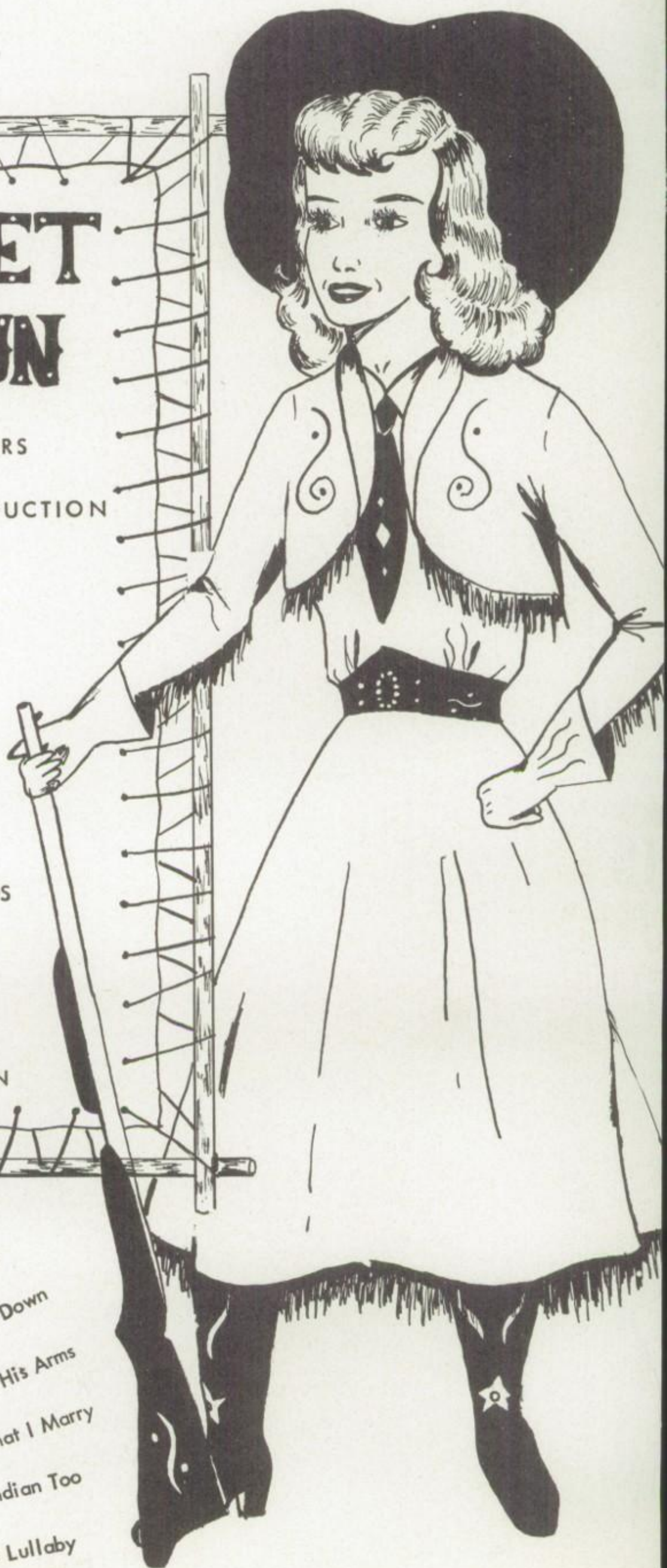
BOOK BY

HERBERT AND DOROTHY FIELDS

A

DELPHOS ST. JOHN'S

SENIOR CLASS PRODUCTION



You Can't Get A Man With A Gun

I Got The Sun In The Morning

Doin' What Comes Natur'llly

Who Do You Love I Hope

Anything You Can Do

My Defenses Are Down

I Got Lost In His Arms

The Girl That I Marry

I'm An Indian Too

Moonshine Lullaby

IRVING BERLIN  
SONG HITS

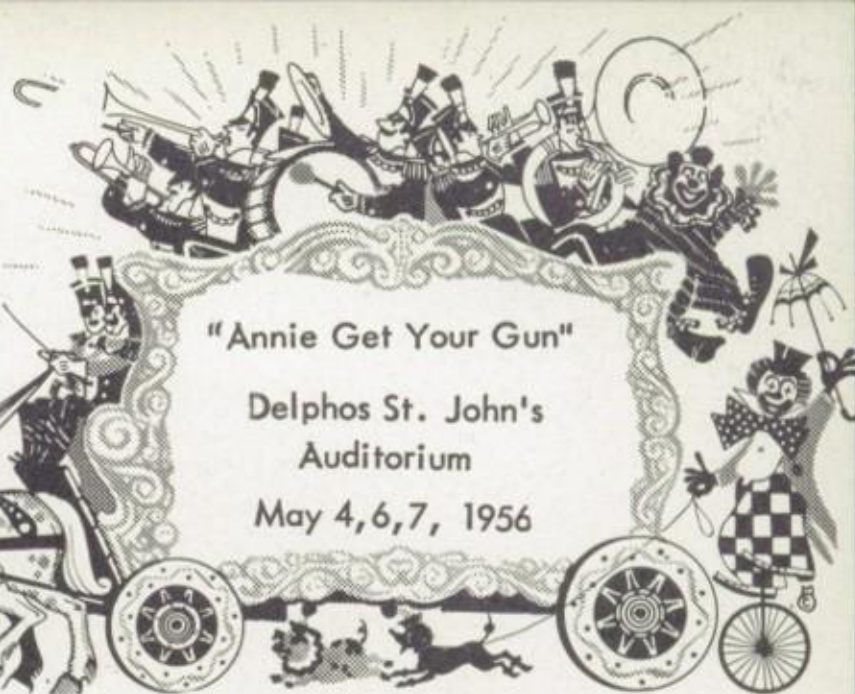


-AND NO  
SHOW LIKE  
THIS ONE!





# Our Senior Class 7



THE CAST ---- SENIORS OF "1956"

## PRODUCTION STAFF

Director in Charge of Production. . . . . Father Herr  
 Solo Director and Pianist . . . . . Mrs. Rose Fast  
 Dancing Director. . . . . Mrs. Clair Steinhour  
 Vocal Director . . . . . Mr. John Nijssen  
 Stage Painting . . . . . Mrs. Robert Hall  
 Orchestra . . . . . Jerrold Wannemacher & His Orchestra

headed by

Annie Oakley  
 Frank Butler  
 Winnie Tate  
 Tommy Keeler  
 Buffalo Bill  
 Pawnee Bill  
 Chief Sitting Bu.

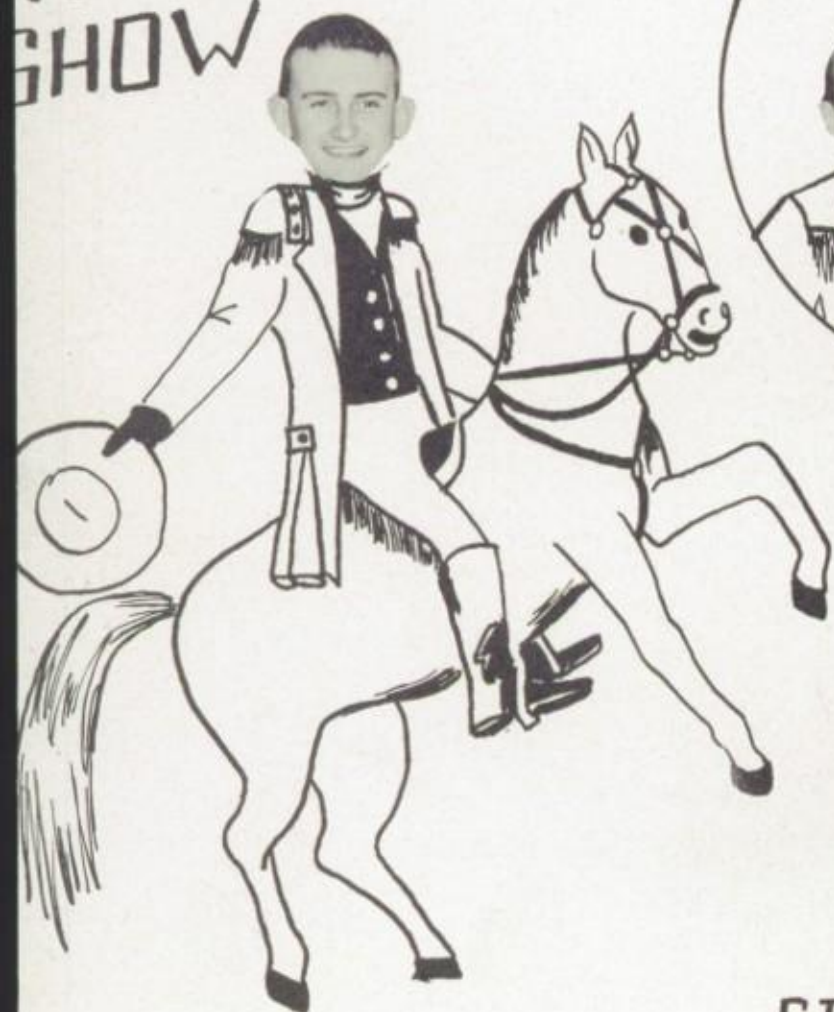
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 WILD WEST  
 SHOW

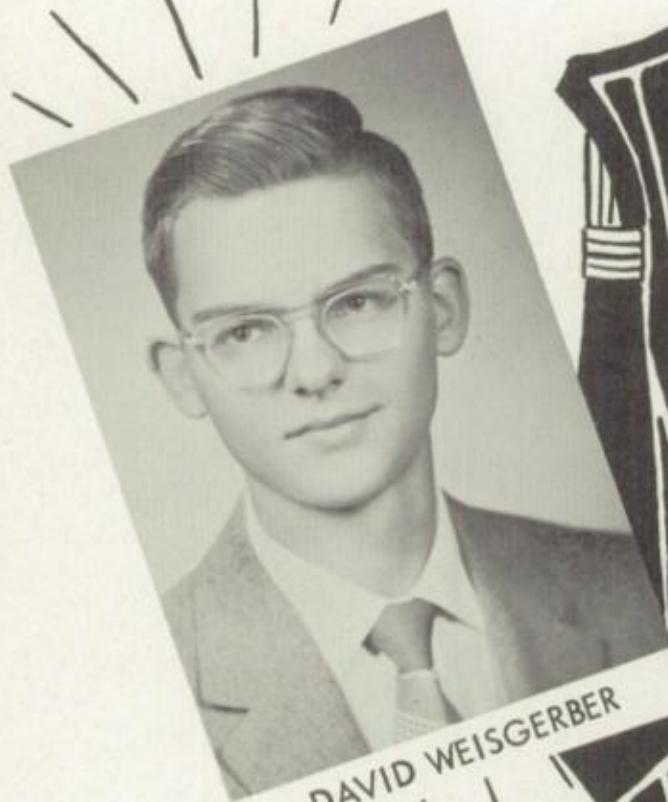
FRANK BUTLER ANNIE OAKLEY

PAWNEE BILL'S  
 FAR EAST  
 SHOW



CHIEF  
 SITTING BULL





DAVID WEISGERBER



JANICE STAHL



OUR GRADUATION SPEAKER

MOST REVEREND JOHN KING MUSSIO, S.T.D.  
BISHOP OF STEUBENVILLE, OHIO.



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of

Nineteen Hundred and Fifty-Six

of

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Thursday, The Seventeenth of May

at 8:30 o'clock

St. John's Auditorium

Delphos, Ohio



Bishop Mussio, a classmate of our Principal, at Mt. St. Mary's Seminary, Cincinnati, graduated from the University of Notre Dame. He received his Doctorate at the Gregorian University in Rome. Bishop Mussio spoke to us about the necessity of real education in the atomic age.





